

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

BRIMFIELD
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Town Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD



AND OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1962

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1962 - 1967

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PALMER JOURNAL REGISTER

Palmer, Mass.

1963

TOWN OFFICERS — 1962

Town Clerk

JULIANE L. SPOONER Term expires 1964

Moderator

ROBERT L. ROY

Treasurer

PIA E. SHERMAN Term expires 1964

Tax Collector

RUBY E. SMITH Term expires 1964

Selectmen

THOMAS S. MAGRATH FRANK B. HALEY
THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

Assessors

JOHN M. HALEY Term expires 1965
JOHN P. MOORE, Deceased Term expires 1964
FRANK B. HALEY, Appointed to 1963
EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1963

School Committee

HOMER L. PARKER Term expires 1965
OLIVE D. WESTON Term expires 1964
GEORGE L. GREGORY Term expires 1963

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

RICHARD R. LUCIER, Deceased Term expires 1963
THEODORE B. REED, appointed to fill unexpired term

Board of Public Welfare

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH Term expires 1965
TIMOTHY J. DENNING Term expires 1964
J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE Term expires 1963

Cemetery Commission

L. VICTOR HOWLETT	Term expires 1965
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1964
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1963

Library Trustees

LESTER W. PARKER	Term expires 1965
ETHEL E. SPOONER	Term expires 1965
VIOLET G. LOUX	Term expires 1964
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1964
JOHN C. SCAMMELL	Term expires 1963
ROBERT E. BRUCE	Term expires 1963

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE

Constables

ROBERT J. CUTLER	FRANK N. BOONE
HARRY W. MARTIN	JOHN H. STANTON

ARTHUR J. MOREAU

Terms expire 1965

Trustees—Harriet Harding Fund

FENTON C. HASTINGS	Term expires 1965
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1964
LLEWELLYN NORTON	Term expires 1963

Planning Board

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1967
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1966
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1965
PERRY WESTON	Term expires 1964
RICHARD R. LUCIER, Deceased	Term expires 1963
BURTON MacARTHUR, appointed to fill unexpired term	

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1965
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1964
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1963

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS

1962

Town Accountant

MARCELLE E. CLOSSON Term expires 1963

Chief, Fire Dept. and Forest Warden

THOMAS S. MAGRATH

Inspector of Animals

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE

Agent, Board of Health

DR. RICHARD BUTLER

MARIE MacARTHUR, R.N., Assistant

Veterans Agent

THOMAS J. FAULKNER

Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE

Dog Officer

ARTHUR J. MOREAU

Field Drivers

ERNEST DEMERS

LYMAN STANTON

GEORGE TETREAULT

FENCE VIEWERS

ERNEST J. DEMERS

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

ALBERT BIRCHENOUGH

Town Counsel
GEORGE B. ADAMS

Finance Committee

LEO E. LAVIGNE	Term expires 1965
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1965
WARREN WILLIS	Term expires 1965
DENZIL BAGSTER-COLLINS	Term expires 1964
JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY	Term expires 1964
WILLIAM D. SPOONER	Term expires 1964
ANDREW W. GONDEK	Term expires 1963
MERRILL SPEAR	Term expires 1963
ROBERT M. STUART	Term expires 1963

Jury List

AXEL LINDELL	JAMES C. HATCH
HARRY W. MARTIN	THOMAS S. MAGRATH
STEPHEN McNAMARA	ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH
ERNEST MANN	SHIRLEY NICHOLS
STANLEY KARCZMARCZYK	

Registrars

RAYMOND C. RAUCH	Term expires 1965
MARK C. NEWTON, Resigned	Term expires 1964
WILLIAM B. COX, appointed to fill unexpired term	
MARGARET V. McINTYRE	Term expires 1963

Civil Defense Director
RICHARD C. ALLEN

Planning Board — Board of Appeals

LESTER H. SHELDON	Term expires 1965
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1964
FRANCIS L. HENDERSON	Term expires 1963

Associate Members

D. WALKER CHENEY	Term expires 1964
LLEWELLYN NORTON	Term expires 1963

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1962	\$108,884.18	
Cash receipts	483,886.13	
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		\$592,770.31
Paid on Treasury Warrants	477,001.38	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1962	115,768.93	
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		\$592,770.31

Respectfully submitted,

PIA E. SHERMAN

Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

97	Resident Fishing
85	Resident Hunting
59	Resident Sporting
37	Minor Fishing
18	Resident Women's Fishing
10	Special Non-Resident Fishing
4	Non-Resident Fishing
2	Non-Resident Hunting
5	Duplicate Licenses
14	Resident Sporting (Free)
1	Resident Fishing (Free)
8	Archery stamps

DOGS LICENSED

134	Male @ \$2.00	\$268.00
37	Female @ \$5.00	185.00
63	Spayed Female @ \$2.00	126.00
12	Kennel @ \$10.00	120.00
2	Kennel @ \$25.00	50.00
		<hr/> \$749.00
Less Clerk's Fee 248 @ .25		62.00
		<hr/> \$687.00

BRIEF EXTRACTS OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
1961		
November		
15	Ann Marie McCarthy	Charles and Ann Kimmel
December		
6	Luciano George Ortona	Luciano C. and Elizabeth M. Shea
29	Mark Alan Shugart	Herbert J. and Lorraine R. Picard
1962		
January		
24	Arthur Joseph Forgues	Arthur J. Jr. and Lucille Pierce
25	Brenda Lee Ballou	Donald A. and Nancy E. Clark
February		
2	Keith Philip Wilson	Arnold P. and Christine A. Deneault
2	Mark Christopher Wilson	Arnold P. and Christine A. Deneault
9	Kathryn Mary Chaisson	Robert J. and Ellen M. Curley
March		
6	Sally Beth Stanton	Richard H. and Lorraine R. Blake
20	Carolyn Goodwin Guinan	William F., Jr. and Jessica R. Darlington
26	Denise Souliere	Richard E. and Frances A. Haley
April		
13	Thomas Francis Ahern	Edward J. Jr., and Elizabeth A. Tower
13	Timothy John Ahern	Edward J. Jr., and Elizabeth A. Tower
17	Douglas David Raymond	Wilfred W. and Helen M. Kurtyka
25	Kimberlee Ann Corey	Frederick B. and Helen M. Mann
27	Bryant Charles Cervens	Charles J. Jr., and Claire L. Provost
27	Cynthia Jean Skowyra	Joseph P. Jr. and Jean C. Tetreault
May		
5	Mark Edward Portier	Ralph E. and Geneva M. Malo
27	Bonnie Lynn Brackett	Ira W. Jr., and Myrna I. Nichols
June		
20	James Michael Mitchell	George A. and Priscilla A. Mathieu
26	Deborah Ann Keith	Clarence H. and Barbara L. Wood
July		
14	John Lyman Haney	James W. and Edith G. Allen
25	Susan Jean Aktiv	Roy and Nancy J. Rieser

Date	Name	Parents
August		
4	Brian Stuart Watson	Robert L. and Shirley E. Turner
5	Lora Louise Mahitka	John A. and Ruth E. Heald
15	Brenda Lee Norton	Clifford L. and Lorraine T. Becker
September		
8	Joseph Allen Hogan	William J. and Judith A. Stagnaro
22	Richard Alan Hess	Alan W. and Nancy L. Cole
24	Cynthia Sue Bacon	Harold F. and Jane F. Cournoyer
October		
2	Patricia Ann McDonough	Edwin T. and Nancy A. Wade
4	Betsey Jean Lees	Albert Jr., and Martha C. Taft
9	Dianne Pamela Whitney	Milton A. and Lorraine T. Levesque
14	Richard Armand Dionne	
		Robert F. and Jeannette M. T. Desautels
24	James Alan McGann	Charles L. and Jean A. Hamilton
November		
27	York Jackson	Joseph and Geneva Wood

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
1962				
January				
20	Joseph Kulas	80	—	—
24	Baby Boy Forgues			2 min.
February				
5	David McGregor McClenaghan	63	4	27
5	Mabel A. (Clark) Worthington	80	10	1
15	Gaius P. Turner	61	1	15
18	Ralph Herman Hall	62	1	25
20	Margaret A. (Coyle) Swift	92	3	20
March				
28	Baby Girl Soulliere			2
April				
6	Catherine (Thompson) Dockham	71	5	25
21	Louise (Gordon) Mann	70	8	24
25	John P. Moore	66	1	6
25	Kimberlee Ann Corey			50 min.
May				
1	Annie Cummings Bonner	89	—	—

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
12	Grace Martha Lyons	61	5	7
17	Charles Earl Cheney	64	0	15
24	Newton B. Whitaker	72	4	24
27	Richard Russell Lucier	50	7	4
June				
6	Agnes (Bates) Hicks	71	4	0
16	Robert Felix Gzimalowski		1	18
July				
22	Bradner Stuart Loomis	74	2	15
August				
8	Ida E. (Brown) Allen	78	2	28
September				
17	Herbert N. Moore	54	0	12
17	Alice (Decker) Sherman	93	4	17
26	Mary E. VanSlyke	91	7	1
26	Everett William Woerter	59	10	13
October				
21	Kenneth Everett Howe, Sr.	51	11	17
26	George John Binet	61	4	18
30	Daniel J. Orzel	2	11	27
November				
7	Ralph W. Gaylord	84	4	18
8	Arthur Durand Bradley	82	3	26
12	Watson F. Wright	88	0	10
16	Florence May Williams	75	10	19
19	Martin Joseph Glidden		1	15
December				
1	Charles M. Kempton	90	—	—
9	James M. Holland		3	13

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
1962				
March				
2	Chester S. Ososky		Bernice T. Moss	
	Manchester, Conn.		Waterbury, Conn.	
31	James H. Willis	Brimfield	Faye J. Silverberg	Sturbridge
April				
8	Frank L. Johnson	Monson	Elinor M. Emery	Brimfield
June				
2	Joseph E. Poirier	Wales	Geraldine R. Smith	Brimfield
16	Charles W. Sherman		Grace A. D. Lucier	Monson
	Brimfield			

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
23	Robert D. Roy	No. Smithfield, R.I.	Irene E. Gregoire	Brimfield
July				
14	Roland J. Demers	Brimfield	Joan N. Tripp	Brimfield
28	Ronald J. Demers	Brimfield	Gail M. Coache	Springfield
September				
8	Daniel A. Hull	Palmer	Judith A. Meyrick	Brimfield
October				
20	Raymond J. Chartier	Brimfield	Lillian G. DiAnni	Southbridge
November				
17	Edward G. Ashleigh	Fiskdale	Mary Rose Bonneau	Brimfield
17	Harold R. Wright	W. Brookfield	Sandra J. Shaculumis	Brimfield

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

General By-Laws

The following amendment to the General Bylaws of the Town of Brimfield was adopted at the annual town meeting held March 5, 1962

“That Article II, Section 9, of the Town of Brimfield By-laws with reference to the term of office of Constables, be amended by striking out “one year” and inserting in place thereof “three years” to conform with the provisions of Chapter 354 of the Acts of 1961.”

On April 6, 1962 the Emergency Finance Board, State House, Boston, granted approval to the Town of Brimfield to appropriate and transfer \$10,000 from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of creating a Stabilization Fund, as voted at the Annual Town Meeting, March 5, 1962.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS

HELD DURING 1962

June 4, 1962—The Town voted:

to purchase a used road grader for \$2200.00
 to sell the Rome road scraper no longer needed
 to keep the GMC 10-wheel truck purchased from
 the Federal Government
 to keep the World War I Cannon, for which an
 offer to purchase had been received

not to disapprove the \$800,000 bond issue for constructing and equipping additions to Tantasqua Regional High School.

December 17, 1962 —

The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen to file an application for Federal Assistance to aid in defraying the cost of planning and constructing a Town Garage.
November 29, 1962 —

At the recount of votes cast in Brimfield for the office of Governor of the Commonwealth, there were no changes in the original count and no votes were challenged.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE—TAXES

Poll, Personal Property and	
Real Estate 1962	\$124,544.76
Previous Years	18,560.32
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes 1962	20,022.94
Previous Years	11,838.81
Classified Forest Land Taxes 1962	764.45
Previous Years	487.80
Farm Animal Excise Taxes 1962	322.57
Previous Years	25.02
Reimb.—Loss of Taxes	5,777.41
Meal Tax	753.88
Corporation Tax	6,826.45
Income Tax	31,064.26
Tax Title Redemptions	668.57
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	\$221,657.24

GRANTS FROM STATE

Inspection of Livestock	36.50
State Aid to Public Libraries	500.00
Director of Standards	6.00
Vocational Education Reimb.	852.15
Tuition & Transportation Reimb.	35,296.46
School Supt. Reimb.	933.33
Chapt. 81 Reimb.	17,926.25
Chapt. 90 Constr. Reimb.	9,999.95
Chapt 90 Maint. Reimb.	1,999.94
Old Age Asst. Reimb.	4,754.66

Medical Aid to Aged Reimb.	1,448.60	
Aid to Dep. Children Reimb.	4,939.36	
Veterans' Services Reimb.	468.00	
School Lunch Reimb.	2,411.99	
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GRANTS FROM COUNTY

Dog License Refund	\$ 477.83	
Chapt. 90 Constr. Reimb.	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,477.83

FEDERAL GRANTS

Old Age Asst. & Adm.	\$6,097.42	
Medical Aid to Aged & Adm.	1,848.74	
Aid to Dep. Children & Adm.	8,420.17	
National Defense Education Act	489.02	
	<hr/>	\$16,855.35

LICENSES & PERMITS

Liquor	\$1,350.00	
Other	95.00	
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MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Town Machinery Rental	\$7,720.30
Lunchroom Sales	5,512.82
Court Fines	280.00
Library Fines	119.64
Sealer's Fees	31.00
Telephone Commission	49.55
Town Hall Rent	523.00
Welfare Office Rent	825.00

Cemetery Foundations	100.00
Graves	185.00
Compensation Insurance Deductions	878.83
Sale of Town Grader	75.00
Collection Fee—Mass. With. Tax	18.90
Fee for Acc. Report	3.00
Sale of Tax Possessions	1,372.57
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	\$17,694.61

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loans	\$86,000.00
Highway Reimb. Loan	36,600.00
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	\$122,600.00

INTEREST

On Taxes	\$870.90
On Library Funds	277.07
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	\$1,147.97

AGENCY & TRUST

Dog Licenses for County	\$ 648.75
Federal Tax Deductions	9,805.58
State Tax Deductions	899.37
County Retirement Deductions	1,362.01
Requests for Perpetual Care	300.00
Reimb. from Perpetual Care	772.14
Reimb. from Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fd.	10.80
Reimb. from Lincoln Fd.	67.80
Reimb. from Chamberlain-Smith Fd.	34.25
East Brimfield Dam Project	1,089.00
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	\$14,989.70

REFUND & TRANSFERS

Compensation Ins. Refund	\$41.76	
Aid to Dep. Children Refund	5.00	
General Relief Refund	382.20	
Other Dept. Refunds	16.28	
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		\$445.24
Total Receipts		\$483,886.13
Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1962		108,884.18
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		\$592,770.31

DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN

Salaries—Selectmen	\$800.00
Clerk	275.00
Printing, Stationery & Pstg.	23.45
Dog Officer	331.00
Dog Census	50.00
Telephone	185.45
Association Dues	21.00
Annotated Laws	45.00
Furniture (Table)	17.60
Miscellaneous (Flowers, Travel, etc.)	122.55
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	1,871.05
Balance	128.95
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Appropriation	\$2,000.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Salary	\$950.00
Printing, Stationery, & Pstg.	9.05

Expenses to Accts. Assoc. Meeting	30.00
Association Dues	5.00
Miscellaneous	5.00

 999.05

Balance	40.95
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Appropriation	\$1,040.00
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TREASURER

Salary	\$550.00
Surety Bond	92.00
Securities Policy	24.30
Printing, Stationery, & Pstg.	132.35
Association Dues	3.00
Repairs to Adding Machine	18.90
Foreclosure & Redemption Costs	58.00
Miscellaneous	8.35

 886.90

Balance	13.10
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Appropriation	\$900.00
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TAX COLLECTOR

Salary	\$600.00
Surety Bond	114.21
Securities Policy	59.63
Deputy Collector's Bond	10.00
Tax Bills	148.95
Association Dues	3.00
Printing, Stationery, & Pstg.	180.78
Repairs to Typewriter	14.00
Demand Fees	66.70
Tax Taking—John P. Lynch	88.00
Miscellaneous	14.73

Appropriation	\$1,300.00
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ASSESSORS

Salaries—Assessors	\$1,200.00
Clerk	300.00
Photostats	116.70
Travel	121.50
Printing, Stationery, & Pstg.	34.45
Association Dues	12.00
Miscellaneous	36.50
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	1,821.15
Balance	74.85
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Appropriation	\$1,896.00

TOWN CLERK

Salary	\$350.00
Recording Fees	81.00
Printing, Stationery, & Pstg.	64.14
Town Clerk's Bond	6.00
Expenses to Assoc. Meetings	51.75
Association Dues	7.50
Miscellaneous	2.20
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	562.59
Balance	12.41
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Appropriation	575.00

TOWN COUNSEL

Salary	\$100.00
Appropriation	100.00

MODERATOR

Salary	\$50.00
Appropriation	50.00

CERTIFYING NOTES

Certification fees	\$ 6.00
Balance	14.00
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Appropriation	\$20.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Association Dues	\$10.00
Association Meeting Expenses	27.40
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	37.40
Balance	37.60
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Appropriation	\$75.00

ELECTION & REGISTRATION

Registrars	\$ 86.89
Election Officers	341.35
Street List	164.48
Guarding Ballots	391.00
Typing Street List	20.00
Ballots & Cards	72.50
Voting Lists	56.00
Misc. & Pstg.	17.02
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	1,149.24
Balance	2.64
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	\$1,151.88

Appropriation	\$845.00
Reserve Fund	300.00
Check refunded	6.88
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	\$1,151.88

TOWN HALL

Janitor's Salary	\$852.00
Fuel	998.54
Electricity	131.42
Repairs	251.02
Janitor's Supplies	68.16
Miscellaneous	8.20
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	2,309.34
Balance	590.66
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Appropriation	\$2,900.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

POLICE

Police duty	\$30.00
Signs	40.75
Badges	32.80
Pipe, etc.	46.72
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	150.27
Balance	49.73
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Appropriation	\$200.00

FIRE DEPT.

Chief's Salary	\$200.00
Fire Payrolls	255.00
Fire & other permits	10.60
Rent (for Fire Equipment)	635.00
Gas & Repairs	310.22
Insurance on Fire Trucks	753.03
Group Insurance	246.75
Telephone	240.33
Association dues	10.00

Fire equipment	686.68
Printing & Postage	11.73
Miscellaneous	10.00
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	3,369.34
Balance	3.66
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Appropriation	\$3,373.00

MOTH SUPPRESSION

Labor	\$ 56.00
Balance	94.00
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Appropriation	\$150.00

TREE WARDEN

Salary	\$ 25.00
Labor	132.09
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	157.09
Balance	142.91
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Appropriation	\$300.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Salary	\$ 75.00
Travel	20.00
Dies	7.07
Record Book	5.45
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	\$107.52
Appropriation	\$105.00
Reserve Fund	2.52
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	\$107.52

HEALTH—GENERAL

Meat Inspection	\$ 5.00
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Barn Inspection	66.00
Association Dues	5.00
Disposable Needles	72.00
Clean-up after fire	91.30
Work on reservoir & cleaning spring	85.00

 324.30

Balance .70

 \$325.00

Appropriation	\$300.00
Reserve Fund	25.00

 \$325.00

CARE OF DUMP

Bulldozing dump	\$211.25
Balance	188.75

 Appropriation \$400.00

HIGHWAYS

CHAPTER 81

Labor	\$ 8,153.15
Machinery Rental	4,113.50
Hired Equipment	2,609.07
Materials	4,844.02
Compensation Insurance	368.59
Clerk	71.67

 \$20,160.00

Town Approp.	\$ 2,560.00
From State	17,600.00

 \$20,160.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION (1961 BAL.)

Labor	\$ 4,019.70
Machinery Rental	2,282.00
Hired Equipment	1,748.50
Materials	1,855.03
Compensation Insurance	180.88
Clerk	33.75

Bal. carried from 1961	\$10,119.86
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CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION (1962)

Labor	\$ 1,263.60
Machinery Rental	974.40
Hired Equipment	1,960.00
Materials	1,432.57
Compensation Insurance	56.87

	5,687.44
Balance carried to 1963	14,312.56

\$20,000.00

Approp. (Free Cash)	\$ 5,000.00
From State	10,000.0
From County	5,000.00

\$20,000.00

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Labor	\$ 397.50
Machinery Rental	243.60
Hired Equipment	500.50
Materials	4,831.68
Compensation Insurance	17.88
Clerk	8.84

\$6,000.00

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
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From State	\$2,000.00
From County	\$2,000.00
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	\$6,000.00

REPAIR OF SPILLWAY (Lake Sherman)

Repair cost	\$175.00
Appropriation	175.00

GENERAL HIGHWAYS

Labor	\$ 4,618.15
Machinery Rental	216.80
Hired Equipment	2,465.20
Materials	2,480.15
Compensation Insurance	197.20
Clerk	22.50
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Appropriation	\$10,000.00

MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Labor	\$ 671.20
Compensation Insurance	30.20
Gas & Oil	1,713.24
Rent for equipment	1,100.00
Telephone	159.21
Insurance & Registration fees	518.32
Deisel fuel tax	40.34
Repairs	4,578.41
Purchase of second-hand grader	2,200.00
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	11,010.92
Balance carried to 1963	3,003.55
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	\$14,014.47
Jan. 1 balance	1,227.87
Transf. at annual meeting	5,853.40

Transf. at Dec. 18 meeting	6,933.20
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\$14,014.47

STREET LIGHTING

Street Lights	\$1,592.04
Telephone booth light	16.06

1,608.10

Balance	91.90
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Appropriation	\$1,700.00
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WELFARE AGENCIES

Public Assistance Account

Cash grants for General Relief	\$ 832.60
Cash grants for Old Age Asst.	5,078.61
Cash grants for Med. Aid to Aged	2,607.23
Cash grants for Aid to Dep. Children	9,416.50
To the Brimfield-Holland	

Welfare Dist.	700.00
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Board Salaries	150.00
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18,784.94

Balance	8,020.06
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\$26,805.00

Appropriation	\$26,800.00
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Check returned	5.00
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\$26,805.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$2,842.83
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Federal Grants received	6,059.00
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\$8,901.83

Cash Grants for O.A.A.	\$7,017.95	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	1,883.88	
	<hr/>	\$8,901.83

MEDICAL AID TO AGED—FEDERAL GRANT

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	<hr/>	
Federal Grants	\$1,837.87	
	<hr/>	\$1,837.87
Cash Grants for M.A.A.	\$1,602.60	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	235.27	
	<hr/>	\$1,837.87

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN— FEDERAL GRANT

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$ 521.95	
Federal Grants	8,397.00	
	<hr/>	\$8,918.95
Cash grants for A.D.C.	\$8,219.75	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	699.20	
	<hr/>	\$8,918.95

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$189.76
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	189.76

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADM.—FEDERAL

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$583.95	
Administration received	38.42	
	<hr/>	\$622.37

Transf. to Brimfield-Holland Welfare Dist.	\$603.16	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	19.21	
	<hr/>	\$622.37

MEDICAL AID TO AGED-ADM.—FEDERAL		
Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$ 9.01	
Administration received	10.87	
	<hr/>	\$19.88
Transferred to Brimfield-Holland Welfare Dist.	\$15.77	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	4.11	
	<hr/>	\$19.88

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADM.— FEDERAL		
Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$142.38	
Administration received	23.17	
	<hr/>	\$165.55
Transf. to Brimfield-Holland Welfare Dist.	\$152.93	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	12.62	
	<hr/>	\$165.55

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE ADM.—FEDERAL		
Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$11.37	
Transf. to Brimfield-Holland Welfare Dist.	11.37	

VETERANS' BENEFITS		
Cash Grants	\$ 401.30	
Balance	598.70	
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Appropriation	\$1,000.00	

VETERANS' SERVICE DISTRICT

Paid to Treasurer of District	\$350.00
Appropriation	350.00

SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

General Administration	\$ 5,344.17
Teachers' Salaries	37,183.56
Textbooks & Supplies	2,248.10
Janitor Service	5,333.28
Fuel & Light	2,562.24
Health Services	1,074.34
Transportation—Tantasqua	21,261.84
Transportation—Elementary	12,815.65
Maintenance of Buildings & Grounds	2,534.30
New Equipment	216.45
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	\$90,573.93
Balance	2,828.07
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Appropriation	93,402.00

(\$14,402.00 from Free Cash)

TRADE SCHOOL—TUITION & TRANSPORTATION

Tuition paid City of Springfield	\$1,234.84
Tuition paid City of Holyoke	300.00
Transportation	417.00
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	\$1,951.84
Balance	48.16
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Appropriation	\$2,000.00

TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Debt Reduction	\$ 5,632.24
Interest on Indebtedness	5,400.88
Cost of Operation	85,368.71
Capital Outlay	2,575.12
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Appropriation	\$98,976.95

NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$ 7.06	
Town Appropriation	500.00	
Reimb. from State	489.02	
	<hr/>	\$996.08
Science supplies purchased	479.59	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	516.58	
	<hr/>	\$996.08

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$ 598.25	
Town Appropriation	500.00	
Receipts from Lunches	5,512.82	
Reimb. from State	2,411.99	
	<hr/>	\$9,023.06
Labor	2,985.10	
Food	4,755.02	
Other	1,060.52	
Balance Dec. 31, 1962	222.42	
	<hr/>	\$9,023.06

LIBRARY

Salaries—Librarian	\$1,000.00
Assistants	266.93
Janitor	300.00

Books	926.18
Periodicals	118.85
Fuel	287.22
Electricity	128.07
Janitor's Supplies	31.80
Library Supplies	185.18
Bindings	29.40
Stationery & pstg.	25.88
Repairs	20.74
Miscellaneous	4.70

\$3,324.95

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Dog Fund	477.83
Library Dividends	277.07
Reserve Fund	60.65
Check returned	9.40

\$3,324.95

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES

COMMON

Labor	\$256.90
Balance	143.10

Appropriation	\$400.00
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MEMORIAL DAY

Flowers	\$ 96.50
Band & Programs	80.50
Flags	35.80
Refreshments	20.24
V.F.W.—Fiskdale	20.00

	\$253.04
Balance	26.96
Appropriation	\$280.00

MARKERS FOR VETERANS' GRAVES

Markers purchased	\$136.80
Balance	3.20

Appropriation	\$140.00
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PROPERTY INSURANCE

Premium paid	\$1,535.93
Balance	94.07

Appropriation	\$1,630.00
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WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Premium Paid	\$1,486.97
Balance	13.03

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
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TOWN REPORTS

Printing	\$621.00
Postage	40.50
Typing & proofing	25.00

	686.50
Balance	213.50

Appropriation	\$900.00
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AID TO AGRICULTURE

Paid to Trustees for County	
Aid to Agriculture	\$25.00
Appropriation	25.00

COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT

Assessment paid	\$1,407.98
Appropriation	1,407.98

PLANNING BOARD

Photocopy book	\$ 1.80
Balance	48.20

Appropriation	\$50.00
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RED CROSS SWIMMING PROGRAM

Paid to American Red Cross	
Swimming Program	\$160.00
Appropriation	160.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Director's Salary	\$100.00
Truck (Govt. Surplus)	100.00
First Aid, Police & Fire Equip.	264.28
Repairs	78.22
Gas. oil, etc.	20.10
Misc. supplies	22.35

	584.95
Balance carried to 1963	86.67

	\$671.62
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Balance Jan. 1	\$221.62
Approp.	450.00

\$671.62

CEMETERY

Labor	\$1,101.05
Equipment	83.25
Gas, oil, & repairs	157.00
Tree removal	165.00
Copying records & postage	5.85

	1,512.15
Balance	87.85

Appropriation	\$1,600.00
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INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loans repaid	\$ 76,000.00
Highway Reimb. Loan repaid	36,600.00
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	\$112,600.00

INTEREST ON INDEBTEDNESS

On Revenue Loans	\$ 968.08
On Highway Reimb. Loan	656.52
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	1,624.60
Balance	375.40
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Appropriation	\$2,000.00

AGENCY & TRUST

State Recreation Areas Assmt.	\$ 705.68
Auditing Municipal Accounts	1,261.93
County Hospital Assmt.	136.56
County Tax	4,211.76
Dog Licenses for County	648.75
Annuities	150.00
Federal Withholding Taxes	9,805.58
State Withholding Taxes	863.31
County Retirement	1,362.01
East Brimfield Dam Project	1,089.00
Due from Trust Funds	83.75
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	\$20,318.33

REFUNDS & TRANSFERS

Real Estate Tax Refunds	\$ 533.75
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	2,079.29
Transf. to Cemetery Perpetual Care	300.00
Transfer to Stabilization Fund	10,000.00
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	\$12,913.04

Total Disbursements	\$477,001.38
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1962	115,768.93
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	\$592,770.31

Respectfully submitted,

MARCELLE E. CLOSSON

Town Accountant

AMOUNT EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

George B. Sherman	\$ 2,180.25
Gayle Stevens	1,551.00
Norman Howlett	1,584.00
Stanley Adams	1,366.20
Norman Wesson	1,148.40
Donold Sheeran	28.00
Thomas Yaskoski	9.90
Charles Sherman	231.00
Richard Goddard	28.00
Charles Herbert	255.00
Blanche Mathieu	25.95
Frank Hall	12.00
Norrie Demetrius	44.40
Harold Hitchcock	1,073.35
Brimfield Oil Co.	705.50
All States Asphalt Co.	699.92
Bituminous Dist. Service	1,718.47
N.E. Metal Culvert Co.	306.09
Darwin Clark	302.50
John H. Hudson	1,102.51
Poirier Bros.	93.50
W.W Jurczyk	412.00
Dav.-a-Line Co.	200.00
Louis Gagliardi	19.50
Palmer Paving Corp.	508.80
Machinery Rental	4,113.50

Comp. Insurance	368.59
Clerk	71.67

\$20,160.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90
CONSTR. (1961 BALANCE)

George B. Sherman	\$ 911.25
Gayle Stevens	660.00
Norman Howlett	655.05
Stanley Adams	646.80
Norman Wesson	655.05
Donald Sheeran	14.00
Frank Dickinson	26.40
Robert Hitchcock	26.40
Donald Puduski	26.40
Charles Sherman	358.75
Palmer Paving Corp.	103.65
Donel Supply Corp.	537.50
W.W. Jurczyk	614.00
Poirier Bros.	49.00
Richard Goddard	13.20
Monson Sand & Gravel	3.75
Gilman's Serv. Sta.	5.54
Camosse Supply Co.	92.00
Boilard Bros. Block Co.	19.60
Bituminous Dist. Service	650.33
N.E. Metal Culvert Co.	65.86
Harold Hitchcock	1,488.70
Machinery Rental	2,282.00
Comp. Insurance	180.88
Clerk	33.75

\$10,119.86

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90
CONSTR. (1962)

George B. Sherman	\$ 333.00
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Norman Howlett	231.00
Gayle Stevens	237.60
Stanley Adams	237.60
Norman Wesson	224.40
Harold Hitchcock	556.50
W.W. Jurczyk	1,072.00
Poirier Bros.	331.50
N.E. Metal Culvert Co.	843.86
Camosse Bros.	187.89
Haley's Grain Store	13.20
Bituminous Dist. Serv.	91.28
Mass. Correct. Inst.	296.34
Machinery Rental	974.40
Comp. Ins.	56.87
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	\$5,687.44

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

George B. Sherman	\$ 92.25
Stanley Adams	146.85
Norman Howlett	52.80
Gayle Stevens	52.80
Norman Wesson	52.80
Harold Hitchcock	210.50
Charles Herbert	67.50
Richard Goddard	160.00
Brimfield Oil Co.	208.25
Darwin Clark	115.00
All States Asphalt	690.48
Bituminous Dist. Serv.	3,880.45
Machinery Rental	243.60
Comp. Ins.	17.88
Clerk	8.84
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	\$6,000.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL HIGHWAYS

George B. Sherman	\$ 1,496.25
Gayle Stevens	828.30
Norman Howlett	937.20
Stanley Adams	229.35
Norman Wesson	130.35
Donald Sheeran	584.50
Norman Howlett, Jr.	36.25
Thomas Yaskoski	29.70
George McCurdy	13.20
Percy Moore	13.20
Robert Hanna	20.00
John Sherman	59.40
Max Edwards	95.70
Noah Fountain	7.20
Norrie Demetrius	8.00
Bruce Adams	31.25
Walter Mathers	16.50
Theodore Closson	4.00
Harold Hitchcock	1,207.25
Richard Souliere	2,465.50
Brimfield Oil Co.	214.98
Charles Sherman	62.00
William Whitten Jr.	22.50
Charles Chaffee	150.00
Haley's Grain Store	32.05
Palmer Journal	4.00
Monson Sand & Gravel	363.12
The Chemical Corp.	501.75
Machinery Rental	216.80
Comp. Ins.	197.20
Clerk	22.50
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	\$10,000.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER MACHINERY ACCOUNT

George B. Sherman	\$ 216.00
Donald Sheeran	73.50
Gayle Stevens	105.60
Norman Howlett	165.00
Stanley Adams	46.20
Charles Sherman	38.50
Norman Wesson	26.40
Dick's Radiator Shop	31.00
Brimfield Auto Serv.	1,324.93
General Machine Co.	247.09
Walker Motor Sales	61.06
Tyler Equip. Corp.	70.62
Park Auto Trim	2.25
Palmer Auto Parts	58.42
Colleton Ford	10.67
Mutual Ford	4.73
C.A. Krohne & Sons	379.38
John the Jack Man	6.00
Goldstein & Gurwitz	75.75
Monson Repair	15.00
Lubrication & Filter Supply	33.71
Furness Bros. Garage	141.42
Darwin Clark	134.99
Anderson Engineering	118.00
Talbot's Welding Serv.	455.48
Griswold Glass Co.	15.21
Delta Wire & Steel	271.01
Perkins Machinery	32.53
Haley's Grain Store	60.43
United Petroleum	1,100.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel.	159.21
Texaco Inc.	797.44
Cities Service	620.50
Mobile Oil Co.	286.82

Humble Refining Co.	8.48
Mass. Electric Co.	20.25
Com. of Mass.	40.34
Daniel O'Connor	1.47
Valley Motor Sales	.75
Rene St. Pierre	4.00
Harold Hitchcock	999.06
William Spooner	518.32
Machinery Rental	3.20
Comp. Insurance	30.20
Charles Chaffee	2,200.00

\$11,010.92

BRIMFIELD-HOLLAND WELFARE DISTRICT

Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1962	\$ 1,388.06	
Town Approp. 1962	700.00	
Fed. Administration Transferred	783.23	
Town of Holland	1,616.68	
Receipts from Dist. Treasurer	5,982.86	
Federal Withholding Taxes	233.90	
State Withholding Taxes	25.77	
County Retirement	291.03	
	<hr/>	\$11,021.53
Salary, Director	\$ 5,423.18	
Welfare Office—Rent	900.00	
Travel & Meals	862.70	
Telephone	369.89	
Treasurers Salary	39.00	
Postage	29.03	
County Retirement Assessment	327.23	
Federal Withholding Taxes	241.70	
State Withholding Taxes	26.11	
County Retirement	294.03	
Conference Expenses	64.80	
Misc.	66.62	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1962	2,377.26	

\$11,021.53

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1962

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash balance December 31, 1962	\$115,768.93	Revenue Loan	\$50,000.00
Taxes — Levy of 1962		Highway Reimb. Loan	36,600.00
Poll	\$ 78.00	Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	50.00
Personal Property	460.50	Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,200.00
Real Estate	20,983.95	War Memorial Fund	117.04
Taxes — Levy of 1961		Center School Building Fund	2,288.08
Poll	44.00	Road Machinery Fund	680.80
Personal Property	385.20	Compensation Insurance Fund	704.51
Real Estate	3,575.81	Overlay Surplus	62.67
Taxes — Levy of 1960		Overlay 1962	2,736.90
Poll	34.00	State Recreation Areas Assessment	
Personal Property	315.78	(overestimate)	128.93
Real Estate	2,269.69	County Tax — overestimate	84.96
Taxes — Levy of 1959		Revenue reserved until collected	
Poll	12.00	Tax Title	\$4,233.67
Personal Property	65.00	Motor Vehicle Excise	6,573.48
Real Estate	517.76	Classified Forest Land	234.37
		Animal Excise	120.28
		Departmental	2,538.03
			13,699.83

Taxes — Levy of 1958			
Poll	2.00		
Personal Property	31.92		
Real Estate	58.14		
		92.06	
Classified Forest Land Taxes			
Levy of 1962	105.41		
Levy of 1961	37.80		
Levy of 1960	78.66		
Levy of 1959	12.50		
		234.37	
Farm Animal Excise Taxes			
Levy of 1962	24.38		
Levy of 1961	23.75		
Levy of 1960	16.42		
Levy of 1959	20.00		
Levy of 1958	35.73		
		120.28	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes			
Levy of 1962	2,797.20		
Levy of 1961	1,960.50		
Levy of 1960	1,257.82		
Levy of 1959	337.83		
Levy of 1958	174.48		
Levy of 1957	45.65		
		6,573.48	
Payroll Deductions			
Mass. Withholding Tax			274.06
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance	1,883.88		
Ald Age Asst. Adm.	19.21		
Medical Aid to Aged	235.27		
Medical Aid to Aged Adm.	4.11		
Aid to Dep. Children	699.20		
Aid to Dep. Children Adm.	12.62		
Disability Assistance	189.76		
		234.37	3,044.05
Account Balances			
Legal Fees (Planning Board)	200.00		
School Lunch	222.42		
Machinery Account	3,003.55		
Chap. 90 Constr. (1962)	14,312.56		
Chap. 90 Bridge Constr.	2,000.00		
Chap. 91 Stream Clearance	1,000.00		
Civil Defense	86.67		
Nat'l. Defense Education Act	516.58		
		6,573.48	21,341.78

Tax Titles		Surplus Revenue	
Tax Possessions		3,063.27	66,917.90
Accounts Receivable		1,170.40	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,332.86		
Medical Aid to Aged	205.17	2,538.03	
Aid to Highways Revenue			
State	25,954.70		
County	14,000.00	39,954.70	
Overlay 1961 deficit		1,654.30	
Overlay 1957 deficit		20.00	
		<u>\$199,931.51</u>	<u>\$199,931.51</u>

Cash on deposit

TRUST FUND

\$58,091.07

Harriet Harding, Charity
Harriet Allen, School
Burns Family, School
Cemetery Wall Fund
Cemetery Gate Fund
Pearsall Monument Fund
Hoyt Animal Cemetery
Cemetery Perpetual Care
Library Funds —
Mary K. Hyde
U. J. Shaw
E. C. Flynt
Julia E. Coy
A. G. Tarbell
E. B. Robinson
Fitzhenry Warren
Emily Woods
Chamberlain-Smith
Lincoln-Danielson
Stabilization Fund

\$58,091.07

\$3,095.05
1,029.02
1,387.16
383.21
50.12
154.39
527.51
30,107.31

831.50
2,489.09
103.52
645.04
200.00
411.41
1,000.00
500.00
883.16
4,193.58
10,100.00

\$58,091.07

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1962		
Commitments as per Warrant		\$148,462.62
Abatements Refunded		407.75
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		148,870.37
Cash to Treasurer	\$124,544.76	
To Tax Title	541.57	
Abatements	2,261.59	127,347.92
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Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$ 21,522.45
1961		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$ 19,206.15
Refunded		126.00
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		\$ 19,332.15
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 13,475.92	
Abatements	1,698.30	15,174.22
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Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$ 4,157.93
1960		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$ 6,754.26
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 4,134.79	4,134.79
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Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$ 2,619.47
1959		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$ 1,466.44
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 871.68	871.68
Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$ 594.76
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1958		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$ 170.07
Cash to Treasurer	78.01	78.01
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Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$	92.06
	1957		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$	20.00
Abatement	\$	20.00	\$ 20.00
Outstanding December 31, 1962			0.00

CLASSIFIED FOREST LAND

	1962		
Commitment as per Warrant		\$	870.48
Cash to Treasurer	\$	764.45	
To Tax Title		.62	765.07
Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$	105.41
	1961		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$	405.90
Cash to Treasurer	\$	368.10	368.10
Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$	37.80

	1960		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$	198.36
Cash to Treasurer	\$	119.70	119.70
Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$	78.66

	1959		
Outstanding January 1, 1962		\$	12.50
Outstanding December 31, 1962		\$	12.50

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

	1962		
Commitments as per Warrant		\$	22,854.34
Abatements Refunded			949.60
			\$ 23,803.94
Cash to Treasurer	\$	20,022.94	

Abatements	978.30	21,001.24
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	2,802.70
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1961

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	8,703.93
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Commitments in 1962		4,652.61
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Abatements Refunded		1,126.59
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14,483.13

Cash to Treasurer	\$ 11,297.93	
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Abatements	1,227.80	12,525.73
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Outstanding December 31, 1962		1,957.40
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1960

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	1,670.70
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Cash to Treasurer	\$ 412.88	412.88
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	1,257.82
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1959

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	546.81
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Cash to Treasurer	94.19	
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Abatements	114.79	208.98
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	337.83
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1958

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	288.69
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Cash to Treasurer	\$ 33.88	
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Abatements	80.33	114.21
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	174.48
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1957

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	45.65
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	45.65
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FARM ANIMAL EXCISE 1962

Commitments as per Warrant	\$	346.95
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 322.57	322.57
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	24.38

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	48.77
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 25.02	25.02
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	23.75

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	16.40
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	16.40

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	20.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	20.00

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1962	\$	35.73
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Outstanding December 31, 1962	\$	35.73

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY SMITH

1962 Report
of the
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture
and the
Hampden County Improvement League
BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Several newly organized and definitely worthwhile programs are now available to all farmers as follows:

- (1) **Dairy**—Forage testing as an aid to more efficient feeding.
- (2) **Poultry**—Record keeping for improved management.
- (3) **Potatoes and Vegetables**—Marketing improvement through better grading.
- (4) **Fruit**—Effective insect and disease control and improved marketing.
- (5) **Floriculture and Nursery Culture**—Improved marketing and merchandising and improved management as an aid to lower production costs.

Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers in the programs listed above through meetings, circular letters and individual farm visits throughout the year.

The above listed programs received emphasis during the year. Requests for specific information available from agents at all times.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 18 different women attended 7 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 10 local leaders assisted by the county agents and state spe-

cialists. There were 6 different projects during the year with the following local leaders assisting:

Mrs. Lester Dutka, Mrs. Edward Killian, Mrs. Charles L. McGann and Mrs. George Shields.

The above leaders incurred expenses totalling \$24.48.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 56 boys and girls enrolled in 10 different projects. 10 local leaders assisted the county agents and state specialists in conducting the projects. The following incurred expenses totalling \$19.40:—

Mrs. William Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Prentiss, Mrs. Gladys Whitten and Mrs. Herbert Wright.

The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1962 Appropriation	\$ 25.00
1961 Unexpended Balance	135.46
Total Available for 1962	160.46
Total Expenditure in 1962	43.88
Total Available for 1963	\$116.58
Recommended Appropriation for 1963	50.00

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

By ALBERT H. FULLER, Clerk

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

1962

During 1962, 1903 adults and 2,588 children, a total of 4,491 persons, used the Brimfield Public Library for study, for reference work, for browsing or borrowing books. A total of 8,466 books and periodicals were borrowed, 4,092 by adults and young adults, and 4,374 by boys and girls. In addition, pupils in the Elementary School borrowed 3,555 books from the collections placed there by the Library, making a total of 12,021 books and magazines loaned directly and indirectly through the Library this year, the use of books in 1962 being almost four times that of 1958.

None of these figures measure adequately all the use made of the Library facilities—they do not measure the use of reference books by both Elementary and Tantasqua pupils, inter-library loan service, work with groups and individuals. They are merely a tangible evidence of the place the Library has in its community.

A great deal of time and effort on the part of the Book Committee and the Librarian has been devoted to the selection and purchase of new and popular titles, both adult and juvenile, and to the rounding out and building the collection in various subject fields. For example, this year many titles have been purchased in the fields of history—American history in particular—and the sciences for boys and girls and young adults. Many more books for beginners in reading were added which do not appear in the list following this report since they were duplicates of favorite titles purchased over the past few years. Selection of adult fiction and non-fiction has kept pace with the publishing of worth-while titles in so far as the book budget permitted.

Since the lengthening of the school day, the loaning of books to the Elementary School has taken on new importance, as shown by the increased use of books there. A total of 1,096 books, most of them from the Division of Library Extension in Boston, some from the Library's own collection were sent to the schools in 1962. Collections were changed once during the year. Books have thus been made available, not only to the children who cannot visit the Library because of bus transportation schedules, but also to other younger children who cannot get to the Library after school during the winter months.

All classes have visited the Library once, most classes twice during the year, to take out books, get Library cards, to browse and to attend a story hour. For one class, a unit of instruction in the use of the Catalog was set up. After some preliminary explanation to the group at the Library, the complete unit was sent to the classroom to be taught by the teacher. Pupils then came to the Library to complete their problems individually by using the Catalog and finding books on the shelves. More opportunity for this type of instruction will be offered in 1963.

Through inter-library loan, 58 books were borrowed for the use of individuals whose interests varied from buttons to pewter, from Scotch plaids to abnormal psychology. Books were borrowed for the use of Tantasqua students for preparation of term papers. Inter-library loans came from other local libraries, from large city and university libraries, and from the Library of Congress. One very special book was loaned to the Brimfield Library from Rome, Italy. This service is available to all Brimfield borrowers whose special interests and needs can only be met from larger collections.

Many fine books have been presented to the Library either as additions to the collection or as memorial gifts, some by individuals, some by groups or clubs. The Sturbridge Home Garden Club gave seven books of interest

to gardeners. Van Nostrand's Scientific Encyclopedia was presented as a memorial gift by the Couple's Club, and the Knights of Columbus placed the revised edition of the Catholic Bible in the Library. These are in addition to groups of books and single titles given by individuals. The Library is deeply grateful for these gifts, most of which could not have been purchased within the Library budget.

The Library wishes to thank adults and boys and girls who have helped in the Library during the year, and to thank the Garden Club for the beautiful Christmas wreath which they placed on the Library door. Special appreciation is expressed to the teachers of the Elementary School who have given their time and cooperation in helping to place Library books in the hands of the boys and girls of Brimfield.

The Librarian is grateful to the Library Trustees for their cooperation, encouragement, and understanding during the year.

The Library hours of opening are:

Wednesday 2:00 - 5:30 P.M. 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Thursday 1:30 - 5:30 P.M.

Saturday 2:00 - 5:30 P.M. 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

You are most cordially invited to use your Library and the services it offers you.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) MARY ELEANOR STREETER

Librarian

BOOKS ADDED TO THE BRIMFIELD

PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1962

ADULT NON-FICTION

Abraham	Green Thumb Garden Hand Book
Allen	Stalking Birds With a Color Camera
Carson	Silent Spring
Anderson	Angel of Hudson Bay
Bailey	Sold to the Lady in the Green Hat
	Best Plays of 1961-1962
Buck	Bridge for Passing
Camuti	Park Avenue Vet.
Carroll	Only Fifty Years Ago
Carver	A Girl and Five Brave Horses
Catton	Coming Fury
Cerf	Riddle-De-Dee
Chase	Psalms for the Common Reader
Chekov	The Brute and Other Farces
Chennault	Thousand Springs
Curtis	Biology, the Living World
Dickinson	Final Harvest
Earle	Child Life in Colonial Days
Felker	Casey Stengel's Secret
Fisher	To Light a Candle
Frost	Complete Poems of Robert Frost
Gray	Eighteen Acres Under Glass
Gunther	Fragments of Autobiography
Hagedorn	Hyphenated Family
Haggard	Mystery, Magic and Medicine
Hall	String Too Short to Be Saved
Harral	When It's Laughter You're After
Hickey	The Gentleman Was a Thief
Hindus	House Without a Roof
Hobson	Rancher Takes a Wife
Holbrook	Old Post Road
Hoover	Art Activities for the Very Young
Hoover, J.E.	Study of Communism

Hottes	Book of Shrubs
Hunt	101 Alphabets
Hudson	Oh, Ye Jigs and Juleps
Hylander	Flowers of Field and Forest
Ibsen	Eleven Plays
Jeremy	All the Days of My Life
Kemble	Journal of a Residence on a Georgian Plantation
Kimbrough	Pleasure by the Busload
Lash	Dag Hammarskjold
Lindall	Ripples From Iceland
Lord	Time to Stand
McClelland	Crime Without Punishment
McGregor-Hastie	Man From Nowhere
Mariner	This Is Your Massachusetts Government
Moody	History of English Literature
Moon	Cloak and Dagger
Moorehead	Blue Nile
Morton	The Rothschilds
National Geog. Soc.	America's History Lands
Nehrling	Propagating House Plants
Nizer	My Life in Court
Ollingsworth	Her Garden Was Her Delight
Packard	Pyramid Climbers
Read	Bamboo Hospital
Rich	Natural World of Louise Dickinson Rich
Rockwell	10,000 Garden Questions Answered
Sampson	
	Concise Cambridge History of English Literature
Saturday Eve. Post	Adventures of the Mind. Ser. 2
Savitt	Around the World With Horses
Shaw	Androcles and the Lion
Schwartz	
	You Can Trust the Communists (. . To Do Exactly As They Say!)
Sheen	Go to Heaven
Steinbeck	Travels With Charley
Stout	Gardening Without Work

Strong	Yankee Private's Civil War
Strousse	John Milton
Taber	Still Meadow Road
Teller	Legacy of Hiroshima
Tharp	The Baroness and the General
Tuchman	Guns of August
Tully	When They Burned the White House
Van Nostrand	Van Nostrand's Scientific Encyclopedia
Wedel	Prehistoric Man on the Great Plains
White	Points of My Compass
Willison	Saints and Strangers
Wilson	Patriotic Gore
Wolff	Tour of the White House

ADULT FICTION

Andrews	First Year
Auchinloss	Portrait in Brownstone
Baldwin	West Wind
Beckwith	Sea for Breakfast
Boyd	Drums
Boykin	Beefsteak Raid
Brace	Winter Solstice
Burdick	Fail-Safe
Cadell	Honey for Tea
Cadell	Toy Sword
Callaghan	Many Colored Coat
Cecil	Daughters in Law
Christie	Pale Horse
Clarke	Tale of Ten Worlds
Downes	No Parade for Mrs. Greenia
Durell	Alexandria Quartette
Eden	Lady of Mallow
Espy	Look Both Ways
Faulkner	The Reivers
Gallico	Coronation
Gallico	Scruffy
Gardner	Case of the Ice Cold Hands
Gilbreth	He's My Boy

Hamner	Spencer's Mountain
Hanson	Never Tease a Dinosaur
Holt	Kirkland Revels
Hughes	Fox in the Attic
Hulbert	Noon on the Third Day
Hurst	God Must Be Sad
Jackson	We Have Always Lived in the Castle
Lanham	No Hiding Place
Lawrence	I Am in Urgent Need of Advice
Lincoln	Charles
Lindbergh	Dearly Beloved
Lockridge	Ticking Clock
Lloyd	Dream of Mansions
Loring	Throw Wide the Door
MacLennan	Watch That Ends the Night
Moody	Shaking the Nickel Bush
Moore	Second Growth
Morrison	Whole Creation
Norton	Catseye
Ogilvie	Call Home the Heart
Pearce	Edge of Eden
Porter	Ship of Fools
Quentin	Ordeal of Mrs. Snow
Richter	Simple Honorable Man
Saint	Winter in Thrush Green
Seton	Devil Water
Slaughter	Tomorrow's Miracle
Spring	i Met a Lady
Stevens	Double Axe
Stewart	Ivy Tree
Stone	Althea
Summers	Shelter Trap
Temple	Every Day Is Sunday
Updike	Pigeon Feathers
Voelker	Hornstein's Boy
Waugh	Late Mrs. D.
Weidman	Sound of Bow Bells

Wellman	Magnificent Destiny
White	Smartest Grave
Wibberley	Mouse on the Moon
Wouk	Youngblood Hawke

JUVENILE NON-FICTION

American Heritage	Cowboys and Cattle Country
American Heritage	Pilgrims and Plymouth Colony
Ames	Giant Golden Book of Biology
Andrews	In the Days of the Dinosaurs
Asbjorsen	Norwegian Folk Tales
Bakeless	Spies of the Revolution
Bank-Jensen	Play With Paper
Barr	More Research Ideas for Young Scientists
Bevans	McCall's Read Me a Story Book
Borland	Alan Pinkerton
Branley	Rockets and Satellites
Burland	Finding Out About the Incas
Burns	To Be a Pioneer
Cooper	Silkworms and Science
Corcoran	Elias Howe
Cornwall	Making of Man
Darling	Science of Life
Douty	America's First Woman Chemist
Duggan	Growing Up in the 13th Century
Farquhar	Colonial Life in America
Felton	Horse Named Justin Morgan
Fenton	Reptiles and Their World
Fisher	Colonial America
Fitch	One God
Foley	Famous American Spies
Gallant	Exploring Under the Earth
Gardner	Mathematical Puzzles
Hall	Pilgrim Stories
Haviland	Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Russia
Heiderstadt	Book of Heroes
Holsaert	Outer Space
Judson	Abraham Lincoln

King	Look At the Stars
Kirtland	One Day in Elizabethan England
Levine	What Musical Instrument for Me?
Meeks	Snakes
Milgrim	Explorations in Science
Moore	First Book of Architecture
Noble	First Woman Ambulance Surgeon
Podendorf	Discovering Science on Your Own
Price	Made in the Middle Ages
Rachlis	Early Automobiles
Reeder	Story of the First World War
Rich	First Book of the Vikings
Saunders	Dog Training for Boys and Girls
Sheppard	First Book of Brazil
Smaus	America's First Space Man
Smith	Plays and How to Put Them On
Steele	Westward Adventure
Suggs	Modern Discoveries in Archaeology
Swinton	Wonderful World of Prehistoric Animals
Tucker	Story of Knights and Armor
Van Riper	Knute Rockne
Wilkie	William Fargo
Wycoff	Story of Geology

JUVENILE FICTION

Agle	Three Boys and Space
Anckarsvard	Mad Cap Mystery
Anderson	Thumbelina
Arnold	Brave Jimmy Stone
Baker	Little Runner of the Longhouse
Ball	Bristle Face
Bell	Love Is Forever
Benedict	Fabulous
Best	Desmond the Dog Detective
Best	Desmond's First Case
Bolton	Reunion in December
Bothwell	Mystery Cargo
Bradbury	R Is for Rocket

Bradshaw	That Blizzard Cow
Brennan	Thunder on the Beach
Budd	Tekla's Easter
Caudill	Higgins and the Great Big Scare
Cleary	Emily's Runaway Imagination
Cleary	Henry and the Club House
Cone	Mishmash
Cooney	Little Juggler
Davis	Clown Dog
Duvoisin, ill.	The Miller, His Son and Their Donkey
Farley	Black Stallion's Sulky Colt
Field	Mystery of the Musical Umbrella
Fischer	Puss in Boots
Frierhood	Luck of Daphne Tolliver
Gilbert	Academy Summer
Gilmore	Stepping Stones to Love
Gipson	Savage Sam
Gray	Loco the Bronc
Grimm	Four Musicians
Grimm	Rapunzel
Guillot	Wild White Stallion
Halacy	Duster Pilot
Hawthorne	Golden Touch
Haywood	Snowbound With Betsy
Henry	Five O'clock Charley
Holmes	Follow Your Dream
Horn	The New Home
Hunt	Johnny-up and Johnny-down
Johnson	Rescued Heart
Langton	Diamond in the Window
Lasell	Michael Grows a Wish
Lawrence	Starry Answer
LeGrand	Samson Catches a Mystery
Lenski	Prairie School
Lindgren	Mischievous Meg
Lothrop	Five Little Peppers and How They Grew
MacGregor	Miss Pickerell and the Geiger Counter

McKim	Lexy for Short
Massey	Littlest Witch
Means	Emmy and the Blue Door
Miller	Fury and the White Mare
Mowat	Owls in the Family
Norton	Borrowers Afloat
Norton	Borrowers Aloft
O'Brien	Silver Chief's Revenge
Ogan	Devil Drivers
Reynolds	Cabin on Ghostly Pond
Rounds	Whitey and the Colt Killer
Savery	The Reb and the Red Coats
Scott	Eliza and the Indian War Pony
Seeman	The Talking Dog and the Barking Man
Speare	Bronze Bow
Teale	Lost Dog
Travers	Mary Poppins From A to Z
Tunis	Silence Over Dunkerque
Walden	Shadow on Devil's Peak
Walden	When Love Speaks
White	Flight Deck
Wibberley	Treegate's Raiders
Williams	Danny Dunn and the Fossil Cave
Zistel	Orphan, a Raccoon

FOR BEGINNERS IN READING

Picture Books and Story Books

Brown	Once a Mouse
Cameron	Cat Who Couldn't Purr
Cameron	"I Can't" Said the Ant
Carroll	Where's the Kitty?
Cerf	Bennett Cerf's Book of More Riddles
Ciardi	I Met a Man
Duncan	Silly Mother
Dupre	Too Many Dogs
Eastman	Snow
	Fox Went Out on a Chilly Night

Geisel	Dr. Seuss's Sleep Book
Geisel	How the Grinch Stole Christmas
Greene	I Want to Be a Policeman
Greene	What Do They Do?
Hall	Sylvester
Heilbroner	Robert the Rose Horse
Heilbroner	Happy Birthday Present
Hoff	Chester the Pony
Hoff	Danny and the Dinosaur
Hoff	Stanley
Holland	No Room for a Dog
Hurd	No Funny Business
Kuskin	All Sizes of Noises
Lopshire	Put Me in the Zoo
McLeod	One Snail and Me
Peet	Smokey
Pyne	The Hospital
Tudor	Alexander the Gander
Udry	Is Susan Here?

REPORT OF THE LINCOLN LIBRARY

FUND TRUSTEES

This fund was established by Mr. James D. Lincoln for the repair and maintenance of the library. There was little activity this year, and only two expenditures were made from the fund, as follows:

\$45.00	for a new sink
22.80	for new shelving

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. BENNETT, Secretary
LINCOLN LIBRARY FUND TRUSTEES

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Raised by taxation	\$ 253,893.38
Appropriated from available funds	44,049.58
Overlay Deficits of Previous Years	92.84
State Parks & Reservations	774.88
Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,261.93
County Tax	4,296.72
Underestimate County Tax	96.27
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	136.56
Overlay of Current Year	4,998.49

Gross Amount to be Raised	\$309,600.65
Available Funds and Estimated Receipts	\$161,148.88

Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$148,451.77
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TAX RATE — \$31.00 per M

Polls (420) at \$2.00	\$ 840.00
Personal Property Valuation	400,100.00
Real Estate Valuation	4,361,570.00
Total Valuation	4,761,570.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax (1961)	4,652.61
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax (1962)	22,854.34
Classified Forest Land Tax	866.45
Farm Animal Tax	346.95

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN M. HALEY

FRANK B. HALEY

Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

The case load of the public assistance department of the Town of Brimfield is currently at the lowest level it has ever been. This is in spite of a contrary trend throughout the state, and the newest category of assistance, Medical aid to the Aged, which could have been expected to increase the number of cases tremendously. Efficient administration and prudent expenditure of the tax dollar has been the aim of the department throughout the years.

Average case load:

Old Age Assistance—9.8 cases per month

Medical Aid to the Aged—2.5 cases per month

Aid to Dependent Children—6.6 cases per month

General Relief—.6 cases per month

We continue to aid six cases residing outside the town who have a Brimfield settlement.

Reasons for this decrease in case load are varied. One of our functions is participating in referral activity to the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission. If feasible these people are retrained to support themselves. Careful investigation and adhering to the eligibility factors have also kept the case load from increasing.

The greatest image of public welfare is primarily one of financial assistance in areas of categorical need is being improved and expanded to include recognition of the public welfare agency as a broad community service to all age groups. Today, there is a great feeling of sympathy for the needy aging, and there are fewer negatives in public attitudes towards providing for their care and protection. On the other hand, a mushrooming of mistrust looms over another segment of our indigent—those receiving Aid to Dependent Children.

Chapter 118 of the General Laws of Massachusetts states that "In every town, the board of public welfare,

subject to the supervision of the Department of Public Welfare, shall aid every parent in properly bringing up, in his or her own home, each dependent child, if such parent is fit to do so. . . .” It is not a mere question of food, shelter, and the necessities to a needy family. The major objective which public welfare agencies are trying to achieve in working with families of this category is strengthening family life, the safeguarding of children in their own home, and the reduction of dependency through an effective program of rehabilitation services. The State Department of Public Welfare, recognizing that this last segment was being neglected in many areas, is instituting a state-wide training program to assist those on the local level of public assistance to use the available resources.

We are guided in our approach to every applicant by the following:

1. Considering the person and his current problem—including his evaluation of his problems and his attitudes towards them.

2. Determining what resources the person can use in meeting and resolving his needs or problems; evaluating his capacity and strengths in areas of emotional, physical, cultural, educational and spiritual development.

3. Understanding the relationship between the person and his family, and the agency to whom he has gone for help.

Let me again thank those organizations, social agencies, stores and anonymous donors who so generously donated money and merchandise for our Christmas fund. It was greatly appreciated.

ALBERT R. DUPSHA,
 Director of Public Welfare
 J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE,
 Chairman
 ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH,
 Clerk
 TIMOTHY J. DENNING

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

My appointment as Civil Defense Director was made by the Selectmen in March 1962 for the ensuing year.

On June 4, 1962, the voters voted to retain the 10 wheel GMC truck obtained from Government surplus, also an 800 gallon tank purchased by the Fire Department to be used in the truck as an auxiliary water supply. This truck and tank are now in operational readiness.

Mr. Alfred Wigglesworth is Brimfield's Shelter Chairman. Brimfield's public buildings were checked for possible CD Public Shelters and were found to be inadequate unless approximately \$7,100 was spent on the Brimfield Elementary School to make this building available. Even though this decision was made by architects, your CD Director feels we have buildings which could be used in emergency with temporary changes.

We have purchased some police and fire safety and emergency equipment. We have also purchased two dozen first aid kits to be used as mobile first aid stations by first aid men and women.

Radio Communication meetings in Brimfield to Sector 4A are held the first Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at the Town Hall. All are welcome.

Meetings were held at Area several times last year concerning shelter, and communications. During the Cuban situation Gov. Volpe called a meeting in Boston of all cities and towns of Massachusetts. Many Brimfield CD personnel attended all these meetings.

I wish to thank David Gregory for serving as Radio Officer and am sorry he will be unable to continue as

such because of other commitments. We are also glad to receive David Cheney as Radio Officer.

A test alert was called on October 24 and was well attended by many CD personnel. Equipment and supplies were checked to see if all was in readiness for any emergency. Even though conditions and tension in the "cold war" have seemed to ease, we hope the CD personnel and Brimfield residents will still continue to prepare themselves for any eventuality, as TIME in any disaster would be very short. Every citizen should take a few minutes at least once a month to stop and check the family's supplies and readiness for any emergency.

Your CD director wishes to thank all CD personnel and citizens of Brimfield for their cooperation during this year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. ALLEN,
Director of Civil Defense

Requested Budget for 1963:

Auxiliary Fire Equipment	\$ 75.00
Auxiliary Police Equipment	75.00
Nurses and First Aid Equipment	50.00
Surplus equipment, supplies and operating expenses	150.00
Salary	100.00
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Total	\$450.00

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Board of Selectmen

Town of Brimfield:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report, as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 1962.

Gasoline Pumps	23
Beam Scales	3
Computing Scales	2
Spring Scales	4
Avoirdupois Weights	10
Personal Weighing Scale	1
Mail Scale	1

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen:

During the year I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 25 dogs and have disposed of 30 dogs. Five dogs were disposed of, 2 picked up on highway and 3 puppies disposed of as owner was taken to hospital. I have investigated 13 complaints of dogs bothering cattle, packs chasing cars, tipping over garbage cans, 2 children were bitten, dogs barking annoying neighbors and dog bitten, owner thought a fox caught by another resident might have had rabies.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MOREAU

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

During the year 1962 the Department responded to the following calls:

Brush and grass fires	eight (8)	
Chimney fires	five (5)	
Dump fires	five (5)	
Barn fires	two (2)	total loss
House fire	one (1)	total loss
Camp fire	one (1)	total loss
Car and truck fires	two (2)	

Responded to call from, and assisted at house fire in Holland

Responded to call from, and assisted at forest fire in Warren.

Radiator shop fire	one (1)
Burning without permits (warnings given)	twelve (12)

Total	39
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Regret to report one fatality from fire — Richard R. Lucier, an honorary member of this department, and an elected official of the Town of Brimfield, who served the Town in two offices in a truly dedicated manner. His gallant courage in the face of overwhelming odds will always be an inspiration.

One truck, purchased through Civil Defense, has been added to the fire department for carrying auxiliary equipment, including an eight hundred (800) gallon water tank.

I wish to call to your attention that permits are required, under State regulations, for the following:

To install—alter fuel oil burning equipment

BRIMFIELD FIRE DEPT.

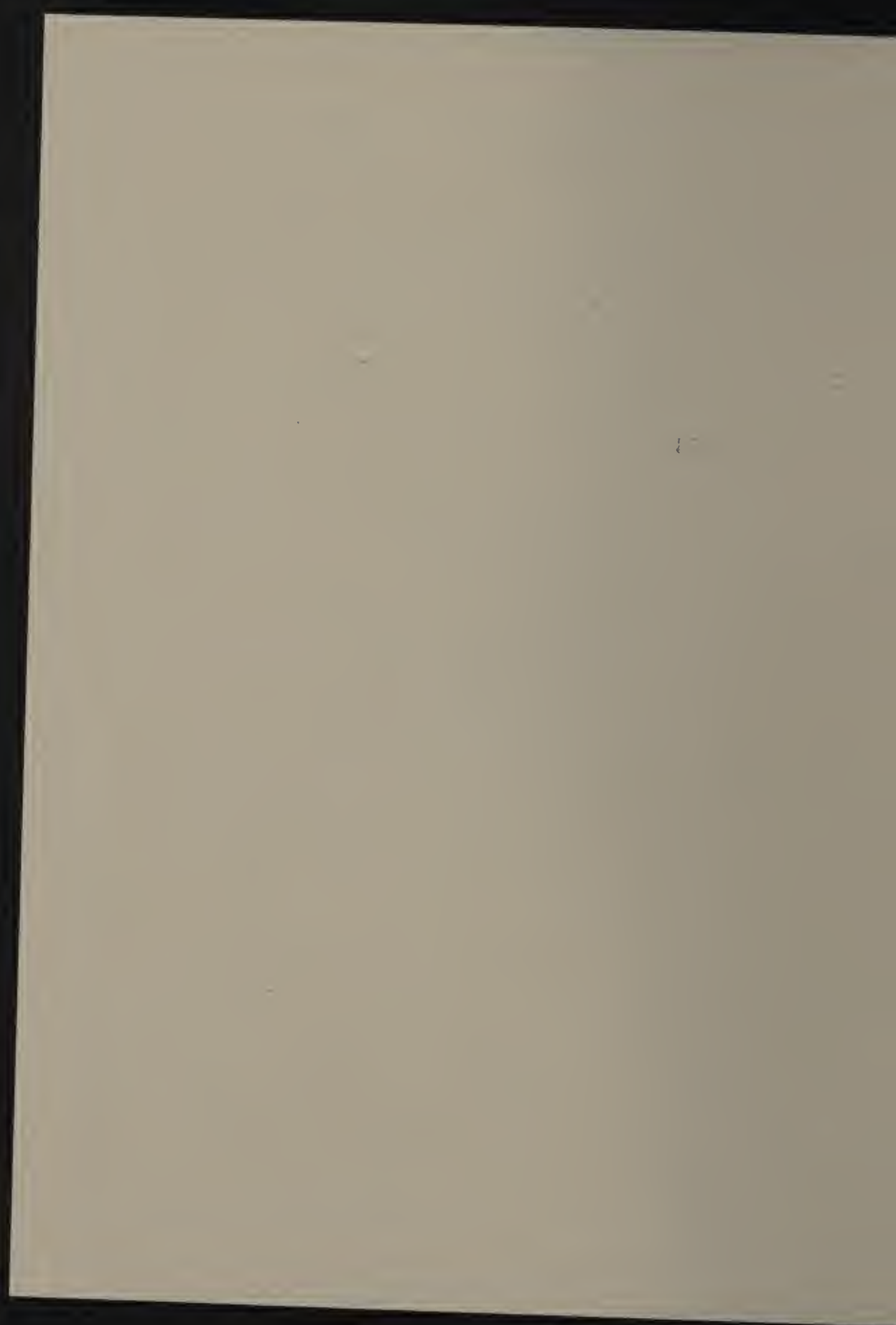
REQUESTED BUDGET FOR 1963

Rent (4) Trucks	\$1,020.00
Gas, Oil and Repairs	350.00
Salary	200.00
Fire Permits	75.00
Payroll	400.00
Equipment	500.00
Insurance on Trucks	755.00
Insurance on Men	272.00
Telephone	250.00
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	\$3,822.00

The increase in the 1963 Budget is due to the addition of one (1) more truck.

THOMAS S. MAGRATH

Fire Chief



To install—alter liquified petroleum gas

To store fuel oil and gas

Permits are still required for outdoor burning

The emergency FIRE phone is Churchill 5-7222. For fire PERMITS call CHURCHILL 5-7225.

I want to especially thank the townspeople for being on the watch for fires and reporting them promptly, and for any other services which have been rendered to me during the year.

THOMAS S. MAGRATH

Fire Chief

SECRETARY'S REPORT ON AMBULANCE SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1962

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year, as follows:

The Department had calls from 26 local residents, including accidents. There were 20 outside calls from Wales and Holland, with a total of 46 calls and 880 miles of driving during the year.

This has been a busy year for our Ambulance Service. As you see, it proved its worth both day and night. In outlying districts, such as Brimfield, Wales and Holland, having no resident physician, the ambulance provides very necessary medical security.

The Fire Department staged an Annual Supper in January, Firemen's Dance in April, and Lawn Party in August. All proceeds received were used to help defray the expenses of the Ambulance Service. These projects are very necessary, since the ambulance is not self-supporting. Residents are transported free of charge to the Palmer, Southbridge and Stafford Springs hospitals, and only a nominal charge is made for transportation to other institutions involving a greater driving distance.

The members of the Department who received a cer-

tificate for the Advanced First Aid course were very helpful during the past year, especially when a drowning victim was involved, and when using the resuscitator.

The Department wishes to express gratitude for all the help rendered by nurses, drivers, and everyone who made this year a success in our undertaking.

At this point, I would like to stress that anytime when in need of Ambulance Service, please dial CHurchill 5-7222.

Hoping for everyone's consideration in the coming year—

Respectfully submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE,

Secretary, Brimfield Volunteer Fire Dept.

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Town Memorial Day Committee was pleased with the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliary who participated in the Memorial Day Parade.

Appreciation is also expressed for the town speaker, and to the Elementary School, which, with the assistance of the Tantasqua Regional High School Band, furnished the afternoon program.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY N. MOORE

ALBERT GENDREAU

MARK NEWTON

FRANK BOONE

MARGARET GILMAN

GLADYS WEBBER

BOARD OF HEALTH

We, the Selectmen, acting as the Brimfield Board of Health, submit the following reports:

Four immunization clinics were held in Brimfield in 1962.

As part of a state-wide program to immunize everyone against Polio, Oral Sabine Types I and III vaccine was given to 205 children. Their ages ranged from three months through seven years. The vaccine was provided by the State Department of Public Health. It is hoped that in 1963 the remainder of the town's population will be immunized.

Booster shots of Salk vaccine were administered to 181 children and adults who were not eligible for the free Sabine vaccine.

Number of children who completed the Basic Immunization Series in 1962:

- | | |
|--|----|
| 1. Triple Antigen (Diphtheria,
Whooping Cough, Tetanus) | 12 |
| 2. Diphtheria Tetanus toxoid | 2 |

Number of children who received Booster Doses:

- | | |
|------------------------------|----|
| 1. Triple Antigen (DPT) | 62 |
| 2. Diphtheria Tetanus toxoid | 37 |

Dr. Richard Butler and Mrs. Marie MacArthur R.N. conducted the clinics. A special vote of thanks is extended to the volunteer help given by the following:

Mrs. Alleen Kettles

Mrs. Julianne Spooner

Members of the Tantasqua Future Nurse's Club

Records and reports of the Health services provided by the Board of Health have been completed and brought up to date. Individual record cards to assist parents in keeping their children's immunization records have been distributed.

Notices for clinics are sent home from the elementary school and Tantasqua Regional High School. The local radio stations and papers (Worcester, Springfield, Southbridge) are also notified.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE MacARTHUR, R.N.

In addition to the immunization clinics, contagious diseases and premature births were acted upon in accordance with the statutes. The town reservoir received all necessary attention, including the installation of a gate valve and lock, the latter being under the control of the Board of Health.

Every effort has been made to maintain the dump by pushing over the refuse at periodic intervals. However, cooperation on the part of the general public has been seriously lacking. Approximately 20 feet of the fence, which was installed to keep the papers from blowing into the road, has been removed by a person or persons unknown. Refuse is dumped into the Warren Road many feet each side of the entrance to the dump, in the entrance itself and in the driveway. A little care and effort by the persons using the area would go far toward eliminating what is often an unsightly condition.

The Board wishes to express appreciation to those persons who assisted so willingly in the discharge of Board of Health activities.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. MAGRATH

FRANK B. HALEY

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

Board of Health

Report of Highway Surveyor

During 1962 Champeaux Rd., John Haley Rd. and the West Brimfield-Palmer Road were improved, several curves were removed, and other dangerous conditions throughout the Town corrected.

After snow and ice storms every effort has been made to open the school bus routes and the main travelled roads, first, always bearing in mind the cost of road maintenance, and saving the taxpayers' money by not sanding and plowing too soon, so that the work must be done over again. Work on the Monson Road has progressed, and has been approved by the County Commissioners.

Every effort has been made to cooperate with the residents of the Town, and I wish to offer sincere thanks to all those who have helped and made it a pleasure to serve as your Highway Surveyor.

GEORGE B. SHERMAN

Highway Surveyor and Road Superintendent

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

There was no organized development of real estate in Brimfield in 1962. All applications were for plans not requiring approval under the Sub-Division control Laws. Of these one is presently under consideration.

The Board deeply felt the loss of Mr. Richard Lucier. "Dick" was a devoted public servant.

Mr. Burton G. MacArthur was appointed to fill the vacancy. He will remain on the board until a successor is elected at the annual Town Meeting.

Voters and Taxpayers are reminded that the Rules and Regulations for the Subdivision of land are posted in the Town Hall. Copies may also be secured from the Clerk of the Planning Board.

The Planning Board will continue to meet the third Wednesday of February, April, June, August, October and December in the Town Offices at 8:00 P.M.

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK, Chairman

JAMES C. HATCH

ERNEST G. ROBERTS

BURTON G. MacARTHUR

PERRY WESTON, Clerk

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

The maintenance work in the cemetery during the past year went well, and the program of raising the level of depressed graves and to align monuments and markers affected by earth settlement was continued. These are old internments as the present requirement calling for the use of concrete or other permanent type of grave vaults eliminates the cause of this condition.

We anticipate normal expenditures for grounds and machinery during the coming year and request an appropriation of \$1,600.00.

Respectfully submitted,

CHENEY F. NEWTON

L. VICTOR HOWLETT

EVERETT D. LANDEN

Cemetery Commissioners

REPORT OF SCHOOL NEEDS SURVEY COMMITTEE

In accordance with Article 20 of Town Warrant of March 5, 1962, this duly appointed committee submits this report of its findings, conclusions and recommendations.

History of action taken by the Town in behalf of the present Elementary School:

Annual Town Meeting 3 March 1942, Article 22:

The Town voted to build the original plant.

Annual Town Meeting 6 March 1950, Article 27:

The Town voted to build a three room addition to the school.

1. FINDINGS

A. Throughout school year 61-62 the school was taxed to capacity in every respect.

1. CLASSROOM — School Year 61-62 required two divisions of Grade I, and through promotion of these pupils plus a large entering class in September, 1962, both Grades I and II required two divisions for School Year 62-63. Thus, four of the present eight teaching stations accommodate only the first two grades. One room, formerly doubling as a library and remedial work station, was taken for this division of Grade II, necessitating a temporary remedial work facility to be prepared in the cafeteria area. No library area is now available.
2. TOILET — Existing facilities inadequate from both utilization and control standpoints. As of school year 63-64 number of facilities will not be in accordance with state laws governing per pupil ratio. Staff and students must use same facilities and student traffic control is virtually

impossible, resulting in confusion, vandalism and staff time lost in supervision, as well as excessive custodial care and repair work costs.

3. CAFETERIA — Housing kitchen, serving station, seating, auditorium stage, and now, the remedial teaching room, this area is basically inadequate. In addition, as a cafeteria it is poorly lighted, difficult to keep clean, and subject to extreme dampness. Use as an assembly room results in general confusion, damage to furniture and excessive custodial and repair work.
4. SCHOOL NURSE FACILITY — The nurse does not have a proper room in which to conduct mandatory medical exercises, handle emergencies, or store supplies and records. A part of the staff quiet room holds some medical equipment, the balance being maintained in the principal's office.
5. GENERAL STORAGE FACILITIES—Neither adequate nor strategically located. Does not permit volume purchase of perishable items such as fuel oil, or other supplies where savings can be realized through off-season buying. Custodial equipment cannot be strategically located due to lack of space. Texts, audio and visual teaching aids project material and other teaching instruments suffer extra abuse, handling, and damage, for lack of proper storage area. This results in needless replacement or service costs.

B. In June of 1962 an inquiry was sent to the Wales, Mass., School Building Committee sounding their attitude as to Brimfield taking Wales 5th and 6th grade pupils on a tuition basis, based on new construction in Brimfield, until such time as Wales would have come to a solution of its school problem. The reply was

negative since that committee was not authorized to propose such a plan to either Wales or Brimfield.

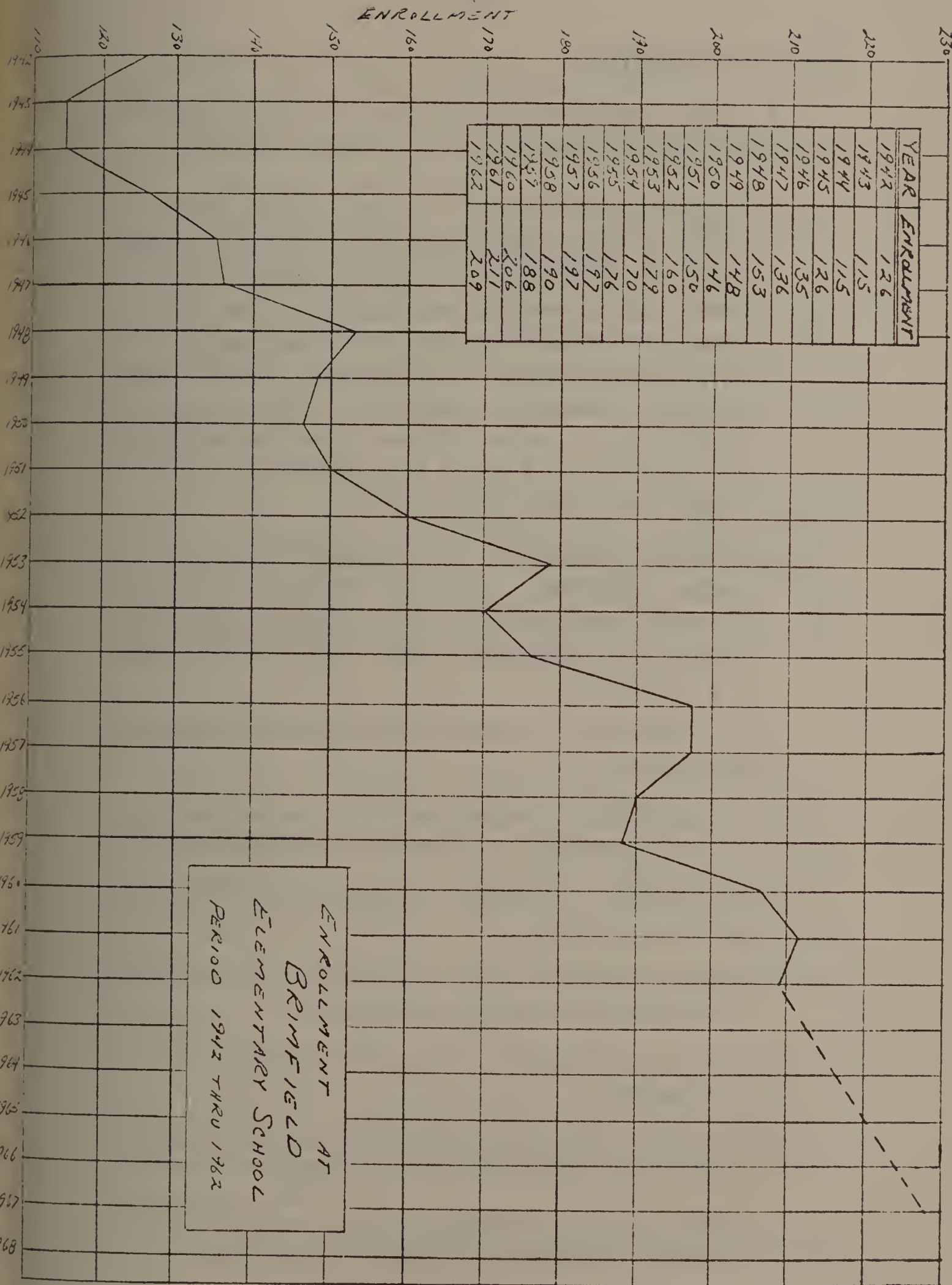
C. Enrollment projections through 1968 as developed by this committee, the State School Assistance Committee, and the Superintendent are as follows:

Year		State		Super- intendent		This Committee
62-63	27, August 1962	233	26, June 1962	216	15, Oct. 1962	209 (actual)
63-64		237		226		212
64-65		252		238		215
65-66		244		250		209
66-67		236		259		205
67-68		243		254		202

1. The projection by this committee is based only on October 1962 school census and the present actual enrollment. The other two projections include values involving past performance and attrition statistics.
2. With such a differential between these three projections, this committee submits the graph opposite covering a 20 year history of enrollments and indicating a definite upward trend. This trend supports the State and Superintendent figures.

D. Consultation with state authorities on August 7, 1962 at the school, and later information received by mail clearly indicates an attitude, at the State level, favorable to regionalizing the Elementary forms of Brimfield-Holland-Wales or Brimfield-Wales. A questionnaire sent to parents of pupils in grade school now, and returned for evaluation, showed approximately a ten percent favorable attitude towards such a regional plant.

YEAR	ENROLLMENT
1942	126
1943	115
1944	115
1945	126
1946	135
1947	136
1948	153
1949	148
1950	146
1951	156
1952	160
1953	179
1954	170
1955	176
1956	197
1957	197
1958	190
1959	188
1960	206
1961	211
1962	209



II. CONCLUSIONS

A. This committee believes the following expansion and improvement project to be of utmost necessity.

1. BASE EXPANSION — Construction of an addition to the present facility to consist of a minimum of three new classrooms and a multi-purpose room (assembly, auditorium, indoor recreation) with related storage and toilet spaces. New construction should be designed to include suitable and adequate custodian's work room and school nurse's room. All new construction should be furnished and fitted for greatest possible durability and efficiency.
2. IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING FACILITY —The following items for improvement result through conferences with School Committee, Union Superintendent, and School Staff including custodian.
 - a. In basement — install ceiling and new lighting throughout.
 - b. In basement — consolidate and modernize kitchen, refrigeration, serving and storage areas.
 - c. In basement — remove helping teachers' station and stage areas.
 - d. Install anchored table and chair arrangements for maximum capacity lunchtime.
 - e. Provide staff quiet room with enclosed lavatory and toilet,
 - f. Provide each classroom with a compartment type wall screen for use with visual aids.
 - g. Where possible through tying in new structure— provide custodial, teaching and perishable sup-

plies storage. (Tying in could facilitate lavatory etc. installation in staff quiet room.)

- h. Install inter-com to each teaching station, cafeteria and quiet room.
- i. Provide maximum possible library area through tying in with new construction.

B. Careful study and analysis of the working plans of existing facility indicates no further increase in teaching stations, as projected enrollments will require, to be possible short of double sessions beginning school year 63-64.

C. This committee further believes that a building project embracing the foregoing will be timely solution to Brimfield's increasingly perplexing school problem. Adequate classroom, library, auditorium, nurse's room, and custodial spaces can thus be provided, thereby rebalancing our facility with our needs.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

A. This committee unanimously recommends the appointment of a school building committee to be charged with initiating and carrying out an expansion and improvement program for **Brimfield Elementary School**. We further recommend that such a committee be appointed with all possible expedition and that said committee base its program on the minimum requirements itemized in the conclusions section of this report.

B. We also recommend that such a committee, acting for the Town, negotiate for new construction to be undertaken by Brimfield only, and that avenues of finance be sought out on the basis of state aid without regionalization.

C. These recommendations are submitted on a basis

of true conviction and justifiable need, feasibility and practicality.

D. Finally, we recommend that the Town support the article written to this end.

The entire proceedings of this survey committee have been conducted strictly with the best interest of the Town of Brimfield in view, being particularly mindful of our young people and conscious of our tax burden. In concluding this report to the Town it is noted that we received excellent cooperation from everyone contacted. All documents and records accumulated by this committee, exclusive of the school questionnaire, will be turned over for use by the building committee.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN G. WILLIS, Chairman

HOMER L. PARKER

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

GERALD A. GUILD

JOHNTONE PRESCOTT, Recorder

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Member	Term Expires
GEORGE GREGORY, Chairman	1963
MRS. PERRY WESTON, Secretary	1964
HOMER L. PARKER	1965

Superintendent of Schools
HAROLD M. LADD

Office Hours
8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
when school is in session

At elementary school every Monday

Telephone 267-9982 (office)

267-9711 (residence)

Administrative Assistant
HELYNN S. HALEY

School Physician	RICHARD BUTLER, M.D.
School Nurse	VERA MACUMBER, R.N.
Supervisor of Attendance	EDWARD E. SHEERAN

Hours of School Session
Elementary
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

No School Signal
Information will be broadcast over Stations WARE
and WESO between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m.

Entering Age of Pupils
Six years of age on or before the first of January
following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1962

September	5 Wednesday	Schools open
October	12 Friday	Schools closed—Columbus Day
	19 Friday	Schools closed—Teachers' Convention Day
November	12 Monday	Schools closed—Observance of Observance of Veterans' Day
	22 Thursday)	Schools closed—Thanksgiving Vacation
	23 Friday)	Wednesday, November 21—all schools closed at 11:45 A.M.
	26 Monday	Schools reopen
December	21 Friday	Schools close for Christmas Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day

1963

January	2 Wednesday	Schools reopen
February	15 Friday	Schools close for Midwinter Vacation Regular sessions will be held this day
	25 Monday	Schools reopen
April	11 Thursday	Schools close for Good Friday and Spring Vacation begins Regular sessions will be held this day
	22 Monday	Schools reopen
May	30 Thursday	Schools closed—Memorial Day and Friday
	31 Friday	
June	28 Friday	Schools close for Summer Vacation

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I submit herewith my twenty-first report as Superintendent of Schools. This report includes the report of the Elementary School Principal, School Nurse and various statistical tables relating to the operation of the schools.

STAFF

Registration in Grade II was sufficient to make it feasible to have two divisions and Mrs. John P. Moore was added to the teaching staff. Priscilla Wightman resigned in February and Mary McDonald was elected to handle Grade III.

NEW DEMANDS

The Brimfield Elementary School has been preparing pupils for high school for many years and doing it well. Competent teachers have elected to teach in Brimfield and the pupils have profited thereby. The student body fluctuates in ability as well as in numbers and age alone determines who shall attend. This places additional demands upon the teacher to adjust to individual differences.

There is only one way to determine the effectiveness of a school program and that is by results. There is only one question to ask and that is "How do Brimfield pupils compare with those coming from other school systems?" The record shows that they maintain a high scholastic achievement as they carry on through high school. This record is commendable but there is always room for improvement. Dr. Owen B. Kiernan, Commissioner of Education in Massachusetts, was recently quoted as saying that schools in our State are "fifty years behind the demands of our time," and this in the face of the fact that Massachusetts has enjoyed a reputation for having a fine secondary school program for many years. How does it happen that such criticism is justified? Twenty years ago a flame was ignited in a vacant lot in Chicago, Illinois, and this was the first time that elements were used that normally occur on the surface of the sun. This flame of intense heat was the beginning of a whole new concept in the fields of science and mathematics. Research in these established areas advanced much more rapidly than the educational program and this produced a definite lag in preparation and today

there are only a few institutions of higher learning qualified to teach teachers how to present these new concepts. There is a shortage of competent engineers, doctors, research workers, and teachers and demands upon our schools, at all levels, will become more exacting.

HOUSING

A special committee has worked diligently to determine future classroom needs of the school department. Enrollment in the first six grades has increased gradually for several years and now several grades are large enough to set up a second division. It would be easier for the Town to realize this change if school population increased more rapidly. An overcrowded classroom is inefficient for teachers and pupils alike.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Playground facilities assume a new proportion when it is realized that the youth of America are deficient in physical fitness. The President has decreed that all schools have a minimum of fifteen minutes of organized play per day and it is desirable to increase this whenever possible. In the absence of a director of physical education the classroom teacher is charged with the supervision of playground activities.

MAINTENANCE

The usual summer maintenance program of painting classrooms, walls, and ceilings and resurfacing all floors was expanded this year to include the construction of a classroom for the helping teacher in the west end of the cafeteria. This made the south room on the ground floor available for the second division of Grade II. If additional rooms are not constructed we can continue with two divisions of Grade I and II but the groups will be combined starting with Grade III.

A three section stainless steel sink was installed in the cafeteria and counter space in the cafeteria was re-organized to allow for the addition of a heating compo-

nent. Fluorescent light fixtures were installed in the second grade room, asphalt and vinyl asbestos tile was applied in the corridors and classrooms as needed, the outside trim was painted except on the north side of the building, and the Lions Club installed basketball backboards and baskets for the outdoor court.

CONCLUSION

I would like to take this opportunity to express the appreciation of the School Department to the Lions Club for its assistance in shaping up the outdoor basketball court and the continued interest that has been exemplified by the Mothers' Club in assisting with the school activities. I also want to thank the members of the Brimfield School Committee for their continued guidance in affairs connected with the school program. The schools belong to the parents and it is gratifying to work in a community that gives close attention to its school program.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. LADD

Superintendent of Schools

December 31, 1962

REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Harold M. Ladd

Superintendent of Schools

Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I herewith submit my third annual report as principal of the Brimfield Elementary School. The enrollment of 215 pupils in September exceeded that of last year by 5.

The parents of our school children were afforded

the opportunity of private parent-teacher interviews during American Education Week this year. These interviews took place on three consecutive afternoons, having been previously arranged by appointment. On each of these three days the pupils were dismissed at 1:15 P.M. This new approach to the parent-teacher interview was adopted to enable both parent and teacher to discuss freely the problems of the child and to eliminate the confusion, haste, and lack of privacy which was evident in the former group meeting of parents with the teacher. My thanks to the parents and the teachers for their enthusiasm and interest in this program.

The children participated in the following interesting and educational field trips. Last June the sixth grade took part in a Field Day trip to Boston. The fourth, fifth, and sixth grades participated in a trip to the Holyoke Light and Power Company to see how electricity is harnessed. Grades IV, V, and VI attended a concert presented by the Springfield Symphony Orchestra. Grades II, IV, and V toured Old Sturbridge Village. Grade II journeyed to the Indian Museum at Somers, Connecticut. Grade I visited Forest Park. We would like to thank the chaperones of these trips whose help made them possible.

Grades V and VI are utilizing the new Science Research Associate reading program.

Our new Vu-Lyte Opaque Projector was provided for by the National Defense Education Acts of 1958. A new film strip projector was purchased for the school this year.

Mr. Sheeran, the school custodian, deserves a word of praise for his excellent work this year. During the summer months, Mr. Sheeran, with the aid of Mr. Frank Dickinson, constructed a small room in the cafeteria for remedial reading purposes. This is a temporary structure which was necessary for the accommodation of the steady influx of children we have experienced for the past

several years. Mr. Sheeran and Mr. Dickinson were selfless in the amount of time and effort given to this project and many others. Their "behind the scene" efforts are greatly appreciated. Mrs. Verva Macumber not only attended to her duties as School Nurse with customary zeal, but also directed the administration of the oral vaccine used in the control of polio to pupils in the primary grades. These inoculations follow a particular pattern and will be made available again this year.

Mrs. Howlett merits praise for the fine performance of her work in our cafeteria; her aim being the preparation of well balanced hot lunches for our school children. These lunches, including milk, are available to all pupils at twenty-five cents per day.

In conclusion, Mr. Ladd, I wish to express my gratitude to you for your fine supervision and your efforts to keep us up to date with the latest trends in education; to the teaching staff, all of whom are eager to cooperate and who work diligently to equip each pupil with the best that our current mode of education provides; to the school committee for their conscientious efforts to meet the needs each new school year brings; and finally to the parents for their willingness to cooperate and their assistance to the pupil at home. During my three years at Brimfield Elementary School I have become increasingly aware that each one of us must strive to form a strong link in the chain of scholastic cultivation that leads to a well rounded elementary education and I sincerely believe that all of the above mentioned tirelessly pursue this goal.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN T. McDONOUGH, JR.

Principal

APPENDIX A

REPORT OF

THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Harold M. Ladd
 Superintendent of Schools
 Monson, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I submit herewith my annual report as School Nurse for the year ending December 31, 1962.

Pre-school registration	32
Pupils weighed and measured	206
Pupils tested for vision	198
Failed	8
Accepted as correct referrals	8
Pupils tested by Maico Audiometer	185
Physical examinations, Grades II and IV by Dr. Richard Butler	
Follow up on special cases	2
Sabin Oral Vaccine, Grade I	
Family consultations and home visits when necessary	
All pupils examined periodically for pediculosis and any indications of com- municable disease.	

I wish to thank Mr. Ladd, Mrs. Haley, the teachers and parents for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERVA MACUMBER, R.N.

School Nurse

December 31, 1962

Appendix B

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1962

Position	Name	Training	Salary	Yrs. of Service Brimfield	Total Yrs. Service
Administrative Staff					
Superintendent	Harold M. Ladd, BS, ED.M., Univ. of N.H.		2425	21	42
Adm. Assistant	Helynn S. Haley, Bay Path Jr. College		1125	26	28
Clerk	1 Freda G. Klisiewicz		600	0	10
Elementary School					
Grade I	Marion Maloney, Westfield T. C.		4600	7	13
Grade I	Frances Souliere, BA. Elms College		4500	6	10
Grade II	Gladys Webber, Westfield T. C.		5100	22	47
Grade II	Mary D. Moore, Westfield T. C.		4400	0	0
Grade III	2 Mary McDonald, Westfield T. C.		4400	0	15
Grade IV	Florence Gendreau		4400	9	13
Grade V	Jacqueline Hutton, BS, Univ. of Mass.		4500	5	5
Grade VI	Edwin McDonough, Principal, BS, Boston College		5200	2	2
Helping Teacher, Music	Helen Sweeney, Oneonta T. C.		4800	8	18
Janitor	Edward Sheeran				

1 Kathaleen Jaramillo Leveille to February 16

2 Priscilla Wightman to February 26

Appendix C — Table I
ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS, 1962

As of October 1, 1962

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
TOTAL IN TOWN			
Boys	40	166	
Girls	37	130	1
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TOTAL	77	296	1
In public school	46	284	
In continuation school			
In vocation school			
In private school	2	9	
In state and county schools and special classes for de- fectives and delinquents		2	
Not enrolled in any school	29	1	1
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	77	296	1

Appendix C — Table II
AGE — GRADE TABLE

1962

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Total
Grade										
I	7	26	5	1						39
II		8	25	7						40
III			2	27	4	2				35
IV				7	18	1	3			29
V					3	17	7	2		29
VI						7	21	5	1	34
Total	7	34	32	42	25	27	31	7	1	206

APPENDIX D

ITEMIZED ACCOUNTS

1962

GENERAL EXPENSES

Harold M. Ladd	\$2,625.54	
Helynn S. Haley	1,091.72	
Fredda Klisiewicz	499.46	
Kathaleen Leveille	80.62	
Edwin McDonough	17.00	
Mass. Assn. Sch. Committees	41.00	
Wright & Potter Co.	8.50	
Mrs. Perry Weston	100.00	
George Gregory	100.00	
Homer Parker	100.00	
Sheehan Florists, Inc.	10.00	
Barbara Keith	50.00	
Edward Sheeran	75.00	
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		\$4,798.84

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Elementary	\$37,459.56	
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		\$37,459.56

TEXTBOOKS

Scott, Foresman & Co.	\$361.90
Ginn & Co.	246.22
Lyons & Carnahan	66.03
American Book Co.	47.76
Continental Press	18.04
Laidlaw Brothers	140.61
McCormick-Mathers, Inc.	16.14
Charles E. Merrill Co.	27.58
Bobbs-Merrill Co .	47.42

Iroquois Pub. Co.	3.04
Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc.	2.60
Economy Co.	12.39

\$989.73

OTHER (SUPPLIES)

Harmar Co.	\$ 36.83
Milton Bradley Co.	724.76
Standard Paper & Mdse. Co.	4.18
Jacqueline Hatton	3.92
Educ. Record Sales, Inc.	11.57
J. L. Hammett Co.	160.45

\$941.71

WAGES OF JANITORS

Edward Sheeran	\$4,133.28
Frank Dickinson	1,200.00

\$5,333.28

FUEL

Brimfield Oil Co.	\$1,245.70
Southbridge Coal Co.	642.99

\$1,888.69

MISCELLANEOUS (Operating)

Lewis Howlett	\$ 58.11
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	224.83
Mass. Elec. Co.	673.55
Diversey Co.	77.70
Standard Paper & Mdse. Co.	17.50
Amer. Stand. Wholesale Co.	189.82
Faulkner Hardware Co.	10.18
Harry Thorin	.53
Norries Gulf Service	4.20

Ernies Gulf Service	.85	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	313.02	
Carter Paper Co.	27.00	
B. & H. Paper Co.	100.80	
Allston Supply Co.	28.00	
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		\$1,726.09

MAINTENANCE (Repairs)

Faulkner Hardware Co.	\$97.28	
Gregoire Roofing Co.	72.00	
Brim. Auto Service, Inc.	36.15	
Lewis Howlett	848.50	
H. E. Hitchcock	48.00	
Norries Gulf Service	1.50	
Parker Furniture Co.	9.50	
Graybar Elec. Co.	191.43	
Luther O. Draper Shade Co.	170.00	
J. Sheeran & Son	100.00	
Gilman Service Co.	142.57	
Griswold Glass Co.	8.10	
Edward Czech	70.45	
Edward Sheeran	35.00	
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		\$1,830.48

LIBRARIES

Panama-Beaver, Inc.	\$15.35	
Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc.	98.63	
Keyboard Jr. Pub. Co.	3.00	
Science Research Associates	26.82	
Doubleday & Co.	13.26	
Elem. Sci. Club	33.00	
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		\$190.06

HEALTH

Verva Macumber, R.N.	\$900.00
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Mainco Co.	11.91
Amer. Surgical Co.	24.34
Richard Butler, M.D.	150.00

\$1,086.25

TRANSPORTATION (Elementary and Tantasqua)

Richard Souliere	\$13,450.39
Noah Fountain	6,654.00
Harold Hitchcock	10,419.10
Andrew Gondek	2,877.00
Viola Nieburg	18.00
George Morgan	677.00

\$34,095.49

MISCELLANEOUS (Auxiliary)

Frank J. Cole	3.00
Springfield Moulders Co.	14.30

\$17.30

NEW EQUIPMENT

Paquette Stationery Co.	\$29.46
Nick's Sports Shop	121.78
Graybar Electric Co.	10.21
Broadway Office Supply Co.	55.00

\$216.45

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	Expenditures 1962	Suggested 1963
General Expenses	\$4,798.84	\$5,075.00
Expenses of Instruction		
Teachers' salaries	37,459.56	43,970.00
Textbooks	989.73	1,100.00
Supplies	941.71	1,100.00
Expenses of operating		
Wages of janitors	5,333.28	5,600.00

Fuel	1,888.69	1,750.00
Miscellaneous	1,726.09	2,000.00
Maintenance (Repairs)	1,830.48	2,000.00
Auxiliary Agencies		
Libraries	190.06	200.00
Health	1,086.25	1,150.00
Transportation (Elementary)	11,189.24	12,177.00
Miscellaneous	17.30	200.00
New Equipment	216.45	300.00
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	\$67,667.68	\$76,622.00
Tantasqua Transportation	22,906.25	22,373.00
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Special Appropriations:	\$90,573.93	\$98,995.00
National Defense Education Act	479.50	500.00
Cafeteria		680.00
Total Appropriation, 1962	\$93,402.00	
Total Expenditures, 1962	90,573.93	
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Balance on hand, December 31, 1962		\$2,828.07
NET COST OF OPERATING BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 1962		
Total Expenditures, 1962		\$90,573.93
(Including Tantasqua Transportation)		
Receipts:		
From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
General School Fund, Chap. 70	\$26,252.26	
Superintendent's salary and travel, Chap. 71, s65	933.33	
Transportation, Chap. 71, s7a	29,409.75	
Tuition & Transportation of State wards	3,708.86	
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Total Receipts		60,304.20
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NET COST TO BRIMFIELD		\$30,269.73

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee Report

1962 has been an outstanding year of accomplishments at Tantasqua. Old problems, that have dragged on for years, were analyzed and solved along with the resolving of new situations. Following are listed some of the major developments of 1962:

A new roof was placed on the Gym and Auditorium at a nominal cost to the towns by bringing substantial pressure to bear on the Bonding Company.

Your committee recognized the deteriorated condition of the wooden window frames and, from surplus money, signed a contract to replace approximately 33% of the window walls with metal frames. Approximately 25% more will be taken care of by the design of the new addition. The balance will be kept under observation and replaced, from surplus funds, as required.

In addition, your committee, through its attorneys, have instituted suit against the architects in an attempt to recover the cost of window replacement.

The most important issue resolved this year was the passing of an \$800,000 bond issue to construct an addition to our present school bringing our capacity for single session from 627 to 1,050 students. At this writing, all major concrete piers and foundations have been poured and steel erection should start shortly. We feel quite confident the school should be on single session starting September 1963.

In July of 1962, your committee received the resignation of the superintendent-principal, Mr. Walter Scott. The Committee then interviewed 17 people to fill

this important vacancy and appointed Mr. Henry Pappas.

Mr. Pappas came highly recommended by the Dean of the Graduate School of Education at Boston University where he had earned his B.A. and Masters degrees in Education. He had nine years of teaching and administrative experience at various schools before being appointed Principal of the Industrial Training Center in charge of academic programs in (Grades 1-12) in Saudi Arabia. He served as Principal for approximately four years before returning to the United States.

We feel very fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. Henry Pappas.

We also received the resignation of one of our Assistant Principals, Mr. Robert Bruce, and we were able to appoint a well qualified man, Mr. Roland Wilson of Brookfield, from our own staff.

We would like to include a brief word about the new evaluation compensation. The annual increment, which had become automatic, has been discontinued, as have across the board raises. By mutual agreement between this committee and the teachers the increment, if any, will be determined by an evaluation. These evaluations will be performed by the department head concerned, the two assistant principals and the superintendent. In this way an excellent teacher can be given an earned increment which is more than one earned by an average teacher and a poor teacher would, of course, receive nothing. It is our hope that this system will result in keeping our excellent teachers and attracting others.

Your committee recognizes that a sound education at the secondary school level must include many extra curricular activities. We wish to emphasize however, that the fundamental academic subjects should make up the heart of the educational program. We expect our

school to produce first of all, students who can read, write, and figure well, since their other talents can hardly be developed if they are not well prepared in these basic skills. We expect that increasing emphasis in your school will be placed upon mastery of the basic academic subject matter. We believe the other facets of our broad school program are important, but must be treated in proper perspective.

The members of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee desire to record their deep sorrow at the death on May 27, 1963, of their esteemed associate, Richard R. Lucier, who since March 15, 1960 served as a member and Secretary of this committee.

The members of this committee gave formal expression of their grievous loss in the death of Richard R. Lucier. This man was esteemed by his associates, loved by his friends and respected by all for his extraordinary efforts in behalf of the region.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. CIAFFONE, Chairman
 KATHRYN L. BEALL, Vice-Chairman
 GEORGE L. REED, Secretary
 JOHN F. KEARNS
 CLARENCE H. MARTEL
 PETER F. PERNOSKI
 THEODORE B. REED
 MARIAN ST. PIERRE
 ALBERT R. VENTURINO
 OLIVE D. WESTON
 ROBERT T. YOUNG

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your Finance Committee was reorganized with the same officers as last year, namely, Merrill Spear, Chairman; Joseph Dmuchovsky, Vice-Chairman. and William D. Spooner, Secretary.

As in last year, not much effort was required of this committee except to meet and organize and to attend the regional meeting to keep us posted regarding new methods and laws which would affect our office.

Toward the end of the year it became necessary to reallocate a few more or less minor amounts from the reserve fund, made necessary because of some unforeseen expenses and the following amounts were transferred:

- \$200.00 to an account for legal fees, to be expended by the Planning Board if necessary in enforcing the laws.
- \$300.00 to the Department of Elections and Registration, made necessary by the constant watch over the ballots, required by the Attorney General's office because of the recount.
- \$ 60.65 to the Library on account of some necessary expenditures.
- \$ 25.00 to the Board of Health because of repairs needed at the reservoir, and
- \$ 2.52 to the department of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The Committee again wishes to emphasize that, while application may be made to the Finance Committee for a transfer from the Reserve Fund for "extraor-

dinary or unforeseen expenditures," the first sentence of Sec. 31 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws states, "NO DEPARTMENT financed by municipal revenue, or in whole or in part by taxation, of any city or town, except Boston, SHALL INCUR A LIABILITY IN EXCESS OF THE APPROPRIATION MADE FOR THE USE OF SUCH DEPARTMENT, each item recommended by the mayor and voted by the council in cities, and each item voted by town meeting in towns, being considered as a separate appropriation, EXCEPT in cases of EXTREME EMERGENCY involving the health or safety of persons or property, and then only by a vote in a city of two-thirds of the members of the city council, and in a town by a majority vote of all the selectmen."

As in previous years, the Committee requested each department to furnish us with the budget request by December 21st and to those departments which did so, go our especial thanks; and to those who did not get them in until later, particularly to those who after considerable urging did not get them in until a whole month late, the reminder that there is a LEGAL OBLIGATION TO HAVE THEM IN TEN DAYS BEFORE THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

As previously, several meetings were held to carefully discuss the individual budget requests and our decisions will be found under that item in the Town Report. However, we would like to express here a few of our considerations in arriving at some of the amounts we feel are for the best interest of the town. The Committee still feels the same as it did a year ago — that three pieces of major fire equipment are sufficient for the town's needs and we would again leave it to the department to decide for themselves whether they wish to keep the Ford Fire Truck presently garaged in West Brimfield, or to use the 6"x6" truck purchased by the Civil

Defense Department, but at no further and additional expense for the change of trucks, and therefore recommend the appropriation of about the same as last year, \$3,375.00. We also continue to feel the same as previously regarding the Civil Defense Department — that the town is as adequately equipped as economically feasible, and therefore suggest the sum of \$100 for the salary plus \$50 for expenses, as any further appropriation is actually an additional appropriation for the Police and Fire Departments.

Whereas the School Department asked for an increase of \$180.00 for the school lunch program, we felt that as this is supposed to be a revolving program, and as still a considerable portion of last year's appropriation is left to its credit, that the \$500.00 should be adequate. Although a higher amount was requested for the General Highways Department, we have again suggested as last year, the sum of \$7,500 at this time, and again we would review the conditions just before Town Meeting, and if the weather or any other condition has changed the picture, at that time we plan to change our figure accordingly.

In considering the salaries for the elected officers of the town for the ensuing year, we recommend that they remain the same as in 1962 except that the salaries of the assessors be stated at \$300.00 each, since there may have been some misunderstanding as they have received additional pay for additional work incurred during the last few years and that the salary of the Highway Surveyor be \$ per hour.

Your Committee heartily favors the building up of the Stabilization Fund established last year, as a buffer in time of some need, and will recommend a figure for this item as soon as all the figures are in, and will have it available by Town Meeting time.

We also met with the several groups from the vari-

ous towns in the Tantasqua District and feel satisfied that, with the completion of the addition, that conditions will be much better and trust that every effort will be made to run it as economically as possible.

The Committee again wishes to thank all the officers and committees for their help and cooperation, feeling that most of the departments are making a determined effort to hold their expenses to a minimum, but we would again warn the voters that every cent of INCREASE IN THE BUDGET is bound to show up as an INCREASE IN THE TAX BILLS.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE

By WILLIAM D. SPOONER

Secretary

BUDGET FOR 1963

Account	Appro. 1962	Expended 1962	Fin. Com. Rec. 1963
Selectmen	2,000.00	1,871.05	2,000.00
Accountant	1,040.00	999.05	1,050.00
Treasurer	900.00	886.90	900.00
Tax Collector	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,320.00
Assessors	1,896.00	1,821.15	1,525.00
Town Clerk	575.00	562.59	625.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Moderator	50.00	50.00	50.00
Election and Registration	845.00	1,151.88	455.00
Certifying notes	20.00	6.00	20.00
Town Hall	2,900.00	2,309.34	2,500.00
Police	200.00	150.29	200.00
Fire Department	3,373.00	3,369.34	3,375.00
Moth Suppression	150.00	56.00	150.00
Tree Warden	300.00	157.09	300.00

Scaler of Weights and Measures	105.00	107.52	115.00
Health	300.00	324.30	300.00
Care of Dump	400.00	211.25	400.00
Chapter 81	2,560.00	2,560.00	2,560.00
Chapter 90 Construction	5,000.00	5,687.44	5,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00	6,000.00	2,500.00
General Highways	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,500.00
Street Lighting	1,700.00	1,608.10	1,800.00
Public Assistance Account	26,800.00	18,784.94	24,600.00
Veterans Benefits	1,000.00	401.30	1,000.00
Veterans Service District	350.00	350.00	350.00
Schools	93,402.00	90,573.93	98,995.00
Trade School, Tuition and Trans.	2,000.00	1,951.84	3,000.00
Tantasqua	98,976.95	98,976.95	111,897.07
Library	2,500.00	3,324.95	2,700.00
Common	400.00	256.90	400.00
Property Insurance	1,630.00	1,535.93	1,600.00
Workmens Comp. Ins.	1,500.00	1,486.97	1,374.54
Town Reports	900.00	686.50	925.00
Memorial Day	280.00	253.04	280.00
County Aid to Agriculture	25.00	25.00	25.00
County Retirement Expense	1,407.98	1,407.98	1,757.00
Planning Board	50.00	1.80	250.00
Finance Committee	75.00	37.40	75.00
Civil Defense	450.00	584.95	150.00
Cemetery	1,600.00	1,512.15	1,600.00
Annuities	150.00	150.00	150.00
Interest	2,000.00	1,624.60	2,000.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00	588.17	1,500.00

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, SS:

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday the Fourth Day of March, 1963, at twelve (12) o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: a Moderator for one year; three Selectmen for one year each; one Assessor for three years and one Assessor for one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of the School Committee for three years; a Tree Warden for one year; two Library Trustees for three years each; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one member of the Harriet Harding Fund Trustees for three years; one Highway Surveyor for one year; one member of a Planning Board for five years; one member of the Lincoln Library Fund Trustees for three years; and one member of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for three years.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8 p.m.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the support of various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying the expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation for Town employees.

Article 6. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$2,500.00) for the maintenance of the Warren, Old Palmer, Brookfield, and Holland Roads under Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by State and County for the purpose.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$5,000.00) for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving no-

tice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient and public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$680.00 for the School Lunch Program at the Brimfield Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to enable the School Department to participate in the National Defense Education Act of 1958, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of 10 street lights on the Warren Road, at proper intervals, beginning just north of the last present installation and extending to a point in front of the Herbert Moore residence, or take any other action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a flood light for the purpose of illuminating the Hitchcock Academy Center parking lot, to be controlled with the street lights, or take any other action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the fence enclosing the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument near the Hitchcock Academy Center, or the removal of said fence and the installation of a stone curbing, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to make payments to Tantasqua Regional District School in six equal installments upon certification by the Regional School District Treasurer, and on the following dates: January 15, March 15, May 15, July 15, September 15. and November 15.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a School Building Committee of five members, said committee to bring in plans for construction and equipping of an addition to the Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the School Building Committee or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of publishing a 1962 Valuation Book for the Town of Brimfield, or take any other action thereon.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to pay any outstanding 1962 bills out of surplus revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of

the General Laws, as most recently amended by Chapter 5, Acts of 1955, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tide-waters, foreshores and shores along a public beach, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers, in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Dollars to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will voted to repeal Section 15, of Article II of the Town By-laws which was adopted by the Town on December 23, 1957.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 21st day of January, 1963.

THOMAS S. MAGRATH
FRANK B. HALEY
THEODORE W. SKOWYRA
Selectmen of Brimfield

A true Copy

Attest:

JULIANE L. SPOONER
Town Clerk

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The Town Officers'
Annual Report
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Town of BRIMFIELD

BRIMFIELD
PUBLIC
LIBRARY



Including Receipts and Expenditures
for the
Year Ending December 31, 1963

Annual Report

BRIMFIELD

Massachusetts

1963

FOREWORD

This Annual Report for 1963 — presents to All the Citizens of Brimfield — a summary of events and activities of the Town Government — in brief, readable form.

It is always the privilege of each resident or businessman to contact individual departments — for further details, or additional information.

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Governmental Districts

SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

SEVENTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

HAMPDEN AND WORCESTER

SENATORIAL DISTRICT

FIRST HAMPDEN REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

U.S. SENATORS

EDWARD T. KENNEDY, Boston

LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, Dover

STATE SENATOR

PAUL H. BENOIT, Southbridge

REPRESENTATIVES FROM HAMPDEN COUNTY

DISTRICT NO. 1

GEORGE T. SMITH, East Longmeadow

RAYMOND H. BEACH, Wilbraham

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WILLIAM F. STAPLETON, Holyoke

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN, Springfield

RALPH P. WALSH, Longmeadow

DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

EDWARD SHEERAN — Chairman

EDWARD KILLIAN — Treasurer

MARGARET GILMAN — Secretary

REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

GEORGE ADAMS — Chairman

ANDREW GONDEK — Vice Chairman

STEPHEN McNAMARA — Secretary-Treasurer

Town Officers - 1963

Town Clerk

JULIANE SPOONER

Term expires 1964

Moderator

TIMOTHY J. DENNING

Treasurer

PIA SHERMAN, resigned

Term expires 1964

MERRILL SPEAR, appointed to fill unexpired term

ANN DUTKA, Assistant Treasurer

Tax Collector

RUBY E. SMITH

Term expires 1964

Selectmen

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

ROBERT L. ROY

RICHARD C. ALLEN

Assessors

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Term expires 1966

JOHN M. HALEY

Term expires 1965

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Term expires 1964

Highway Surveyor

HARRY D. WELLS, Jr.

Term expires 1964

School Committee

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT

Term expires 1966

HOMER PARKER, resigned

Term expires 1965

LESTER DUTKA, appointed to next

Annual Town Meeting

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

THEODORE B. REED	Term expires 1966
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Board of Public Welfare

ROBERT STUART	Term expires 1966
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH	Term expires 1965
TIMOTHY J. DENNING	Term expires 1964

Cemetery Commission

EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1966
L. VICTOR HOWLETT, resigned	Term expires 1965
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1964

Library Trustees

BERTHA OSTERHELD	Term expires 1966
ROBERT E. BRUCE	Term expires 1966
LESTER W. PARKER	Term expires 1965
ETHEL E. SPOONER	Term expires 1965
VIOLET G. LOUX	Term expires 1964
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1964

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE, resigned

DANIEL H. WELLS, appointed to fill unexpired term

Constables

ROBERT J. CUTLER, 1965	JOHN H. STANTON, 1965
HARRY W. MARTIN, deceased	
ARTHUR J. MOREAU, 1965	

DELTON LEARNED, appointed until next
Annual Town Meeting

FRANK BOONE, resigned

ERNEST MANN, appointed until next
Annual Town Meeting

Trustees — Harriet Harding Fund

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH	Term expires 1966
FENTON C. HASTINGS	Term expires 1965
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1964

Planning Board

BURTON MacARTHUR, resigned	Term expires 1968
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THEODORE CLOSSON, appointed until next
Annual Town Meeting

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1967
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1966
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1965
PERRY WESTON	Term expires 1964

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1966
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1965
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1964

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS

1963

Town Accountant

MARCELLE E. CLOSSON, resigned Term expires 1966

JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY, appointed Term expires 1966

Chief, Fire Dept. and Forest Warden

HARRY W. MARTIN, deceased

SUMNER BARR, appointed

Inspector of Animals

GEORGE W. TETREAULT

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Moth Superintendent

PERCY N. MOORE, resigned

LYMAN STANTON, appointed

Agent, Board of Health

DR. RICHARD BUTLER, resigned

DR. JOHN RIGATTI, appointed

MARIE MacARTHUR, R.N., Assistant, resigned

Veterans Agent

THOMAS J. FAULKNER

Jury List

EMILE BAGSTER-COLLINS THOMAS S. MAGRATH
EMILY SPEAR ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH
NORRY DEMETRIUS ERNEST MANN
WILLIAM F. GALLAGHER
STANLEY KARCZMARCZYK
GLADYS WEBBER, resigned

Registrars

MARGARET V. McINTYRE Term expires 1966
RAYMOND C. RAUCH, resigned Term expires 1965
MARGARET GILMAN, appointed to fill unexpired term
WILLIAM B. COX, resigned Term expires 1964
PRISCILLA WIGHTMAN, appointed
to fill unexpired term

Civil Defense Director

C. KENNETH SILVIUS

Planning Board — Board of Appeals

FRANCIS L. HENDERSON Term expires 1966
LESTER H. SHELDON Term expires 1965
CHENEY F. NEWTON Term expires 1964

Associate Members

LLEWELLYN NORTON Term expires 1965
D. WALKER CHENEY Term Expires 1964

School Building Committee

GERALD GUILD

HOMER PARKER

RICHARD ALLEN

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT

WILLIAM COX

Town Garage Committee

MERRILL SPEAR

ROBERT ROY

HAROLD HITCHCOCK

ROGER BENNETT

GERALD GUILD

Town Report Committee

WILLIAM SPOONER

VERNON HEIPLER

ROBERT ROY

CHARLES DeLAND

ARNOLD BEATON

Town Warrants - 1963

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Annual Town Meeting — March 4, 1963

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Article 1. Election of officers.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 2. Voted that reports of officers be adopted without reading.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. Voted that salaries of elected officers be the same as in 1962 except that the assessors' salaries be \$300. each. Highway Surveyor \$2.25 per hour.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for the support of various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying the expenses of the ensuing year and direct how same shall be expended.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate sums set forth in budget except that General Highways be \$10,000 and \$15,000 of Grammar School appropriation be from surplus revenue; town reports \$779.65 and Fire Department \$3,822.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation for Town employees.

Article 5. Voted \$1,374.54 for compensation insurance, of which \$879.28 to be taken from Compensation Insurance Fund, and \$495.26 to be raised by taxation.

Article 6. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 6. Voted to turn the Dog Fund over to the Library.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$2,500.00) for the maintenance of the Warren, Old Palmer, Brookfield, and Holland Roads under Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by State and County for the purpose.

Article 7. Voted \$2500 from surplus revenue for Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$5,000.00) for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 8. Voted \$5000 from surplus revenue for Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 10. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements from State and County for highways and bridges.

Article 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such

notice in some convenient and public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 11. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, property taken under tax title procedure.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 12. Voted \$25.00 for County Aid to Agriculture.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 13. Voted \$2044.10 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, for care and maintenance of town machinery.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 14. Voted \$450.00 for Civil Defense.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$680.00 for the School Lunch

Program at the Brimfield Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15. Voted \$500.00 from surplus revenue for School Lunch Program at Elementary School.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to enable the School Department to participate in the National Defense Education Act of 1958, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 16. Voted \$500.00 from surplus revenue for participation in the National Defense Education Act of 1958.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of 10 street lights on the Warren Road, at proper intervals, beginning just north of the last present installation and extending to a point in front of the Herbert Moore residence, or take any other action thereon.

Article 17. Voted to install 10 street lights on the Warren Road.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a flood light for the purpose of illuminating the Hitchcock Academy Center parking lot, to be controlled with the street lights, or take any other action thereon.

Article 18. Voted to install a floodlight at Hitchcock Academy Parking Lot.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the fence enclosing the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument near the

Hitchcock Academy Center, or the removal of said fence and the installation of a stone curbing, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19. Voted \$600. to repair monument fence.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to make payments to Tantasqua Regional District School in six equal installments upon certification by the Regional School District Treasurer, and on the following dates: January 15, March 15, May 15, July 15, September 15, and November 15.

Article 20: Voted to pay Tantasqua in six installments annually.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a School Building Committee of five members, said committee to bring in plans for construction and equipping of an addition to the Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 21. Voted to retain School Needs Survey Committee as a School Building Committee re addition to Elementary School.

Article 22. To see if the the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the School Building Committee or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 22. Voted \$250. for use of School Building Committee.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of publishing a 1962 Valuation Book for the Town of Brimfield, or take any other action thereon.

Article 23. Voted \$750. for publishing and mailing a 1962 Real Estate Valuation Book, Theodore Closson to carry out project.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to pay any outstanding 1962 bills out of surplus revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 24. Voted \$304.74 to pay outstanding 1962 bills.

Article 25. To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by Chapter 5, Acts of 1955, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors tide-waters, foreshores and shores along a public beach, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers, in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth.

Article 25. Voted to assume liability and authorize Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity to the Commonwealth for work to be performed by the Department of Public Works on waterways.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Dollars to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. Voted to add \$5000 from surplus revenue to the stabilization fund.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to repeal Section 15, of Article II of the Town By-laws which was adopted by the Town on December 23, 1957.

Article 27. Voted not to disapprove repeal of Section 15 Article II of the Town By-laws.

Special Town Meeting — August 5, 1963

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$750.00 to construct certain necessary projects at the Town Dump, or take any other action thereon.

Article 1. \$750 from available funds for construction at the dump.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$240.00 for the care of the Town Dump, or take any other action thereon.

Article 2. \$240. from available funds for care of the dump.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$1200.00 for the Fire Department Budget to pay for the recent forest fire in West Brimfield, or take any other action thereon.

Article 3. \$1200. from available funds for fire department payroll.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2500. to be expended by the School Committee (elementary) in contracting for the overhaul and rehabilitation of certain heating and ventilating apparatus in the elementary school, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. \$1850. from available funds for overhaul of Elementary School heating and ventilating system.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2000 for the General Highway Fund to care for the roads during the winter period of 1963, or take any other action thereon.

Article 5. \$2000. from available funds for snow and ice removal.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Machinery Account the sum of \$3000. for the purchase of a Town truck for highway purposes or take any other action thereon.

Article 6. \$3000. from available funds plus trade-in of 1955 Ford Cab and Chassis for Highway Dept. truck.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 7. \$4801.10 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.

Article 8. To see if the Town will instruct the Library Trustees of the Brimfield Library to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for legislation to permit the Library Trustees to continue the employment of MARY E. STREETER as Librarian after reaching age 70, such employment to continue subject to the discretion of said trustees.

Article 8. Instruct Library Trustees to petition General Court re employment of Mary E. Streeter after age 70.

Selectmen's Report

During the previous years, it has not been the practice of the Selectmen to submit, separately, a report of the departments under the jurisdiction of, or having a connection with the Board of Selectmen. However, we respectfully submit our annual report of the year 1963.

Chapter 90 Construction

The Monson Road bridge will be reconstructed in 1964, using funds held in reserve from 1962 and 1963 as recommended by the state Department of Public Works. The state will also assume the responsibility of designing and writing the specifications, this project will be let under separate contract. All of 1964 Chapter 90 funds will be used in continuing road construction, which will nearly complete the Monson Road.

Chapter 782

The Federal government has allotted through the state an amount of \$7,324.24 as our share of the Federal highway grants.

The necessary proposed plans have been submitted for approval. They are to correct the hazardous conditions on the Old Palmer Road in the vicinity of Maple Lake Arms where a rocky ledge results in improper drainage, and in the past, has been the cause of a number of accidents. Traffic is on the increase because of new homes in Dingley Dell section, widely used by visitors to Dean Pond Recreation Area, and for other activities that take place in the area. The balance of the fund will be used to correct another dangerous condition on the Little Alum Road in the vicinity of the Dore Place, which consists of approximately 455

feet of road construction. These projects have been approved by the state engineer and wait for the town's approval. In December 1963, we were notified that another \$7,324.24 has been made available. No plans have been made on this allotment.

Board of Health

Since the change on the approach roadway, and erection of a fence and sign, and the cooperation on the part of the townspeople in the use of the dump, we have not erected a building for a caretaker, nor have we regulated the hours the dump will be open. However, if any abuse is noted, it will be a simple matter to control the situation by use of the gates and the erection of a building for the caretakers.

The clinics have lagged behind because of the lack of a resident physician in the area. We regret this condition exists. However, we have requested a sum of money to hire a part time public health nurse. Many hours are involved in setting up the health programs. Because we are in a rural community, our children should not be denied Board of Health Clinics that are made available in the larger towns and cities. Also, we are hopeful in working out a program whereby anyone desiring to, can make arrangements with the Board of Health for testing of wells. Viewing it from any side, it requires someones time for travel, keeping of records and the desire to serve their community. The amount requested is not a great deal, but we feel it's step in the right direction.

Police Department

Safety programs, during the holidays, were carried out as well as our police budget permitted. We have asked for a slight increase in 1964, for the installation of safety signs where such have been requested, particularly in areas where children are at play. Since safety is a police department function, we feel that

the sign program should come within the category of the Police Department.

Town Hall

For many years, we have made no major improvements doing only those things which were necessary to maintain the building in a minimal operating condition. However, the time has come to give consideration to some long needed improvements.

A. Heating systems: At the present time, the building is heated with three separate heating systems: An obsolete woodburning furnace to heat the auditorium; a gas heater for the dining room and kitchen; and an oil-fired steam boiler to provide heat for the balance of the building. The latter is over-burdened to the extent that some radiators in the rest of the building must be turned off to provide adequate heat in the Welfare Office, located in the basement. The installation of an oil-fired hot air system to heat those portions of the building now heated with wood and gas, as well as the Welfare Office, should provide more efficient heat. They will, in the long run, save us money. Such a heating system will cost in the vicinity of \$2000. The chimneys should be cleaned, pointed, and painted, which would involve about \$450. This work has not been done for at least ten or fifteen years.

B. Office Space: Bearing in mind that our town officers, if they so desire, should have office space available for their use in the town hall, we hope to provide at least one office at this time, with the provision for other offices at a later date. In this connection, there is practically no provision for storage space for official past records, which, according to law, must be preserved. We would propose the building of bookcases to store these records. The paint is peeling from the walls in the Selectmen's office. Only a short time ago, paint patching had to be done. It is obvious that further paint-

ing is futile; hence the only recourse is paneling, estimated at \$200. At the present time, there are no screens for the Selectmen's office. The purchase of combination storm windows for the east side is anticipated. These are estimated at \$60.00.

C. Repairs to building: The sills in the kitchen have needed replacement for some time. The estimate for these repairs is \$300. Also, the treads on the front steps are badly worn and should be replaced at an estimated cost of \$100. These projects have already been too long neglected, and further delay can only result in further expense at some future date.

The foregoing will offer some explanation for Article 18. The total amount requested for the foregoing was \$4,172.00. The recommended expenditure by the Finance Committee with the approval of the selectmen was for \$2500.00. Should the taxpayers desire to complete all projects at this time, the motion should be made from the floor.

In closing, we wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to all town employees, committees, and others who have given their splendid cooperation during the past year.

Board of Selectmen

THEODORE SKOWYRA

ROBERT L. ROY

RICHARD C. ALLEN

Town Clerk's Report

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

- 124 Resident Fishing
- 82 Resident Hunting
- 52 Resident Sporting
- 32 Minor Fishing
- 25 Resident Women's Fishing
- 1 Resident Minor Trapping
- 4 Special Non-Resident Fishing
- 11 Non-Resident Fishing
- 2 Non-Resident Hunting
- 5 Duplicate Licenses
- 18 Resident Sporting (Free)
- 6 Archery Stamps

DOGS LICENSED

143 Male @ \$2.00	\$286.00
31 Female @ \$5.00	155.00
66 Spayed Female @ \$2.00	132.00
11 Kennel @ \$10.00	110.00
2 Kennel@\$25.00	50.00

\$733.00

Less Clerk's Fee 253 @ .25 63.25

Balance paid to Treasurer \$669.75

BRIEF EXTRACTS OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
1962		
October		
18	Douglas Alexander Pothul	Donald and Sandra Keating
December		
12	Kim Louise Mathers	Walter R. and Margaret E. Lowell
25	Robert George Voight, Jr.	Robert G. and Constance W. Hebert
1963		
January		
17	Frank Russell Allen III	Frank R. Jr., and Marian Hollingshead
February		
10	Mark Harold Edwards	Max W. and Joyce L. Norton
15	Irene Evelyn Dufresne	James W. and Carolyn M. Converse
20	Julie Ann MacConnell	Robert J. Jr. and Barbara E. Nichols
27	Patricia Ellen Jensen	Albert R. and Dorothy Miller
March		
31	Stephen Jeremiah Denning	Timothy J. and Margaret J. Brown
April		
4	Debra Sue Johnston	Roger M. and Ruth E. Bridgewater
May		
1	Valerie Lee Lapierre	Frederic W. and Shirley A. Clark
2	Lisa Jeanne Wood	John C. and Deanna J. Jordan
June		
22	Daniel Paul Devine	Walter and Joan M. Belette
24	Michael Wayne Hale	Lester D. and Margaret A. Smith
27	Janet Lee Stanton	Ralph I. and Nancy A. Coolbroth
July		
20	Brian Joseph Demers	Roland J. and Joan N. Tripp
August		
15	William Dale King	Marvin W. and Wanda L. Smith
September		
4	Paula Ann Phifer	Robert J. and Beverly A. Hatch
14	Karen Jeanne Wright	Harold R. and Sandra J. Shaculumis
29	Donna Arlene Mahitka	John A. and Ruth E. Heald
October		
1	Baby Boy Blake	Roland and Jane Becker
3	Sean Everett Mason	Alfred E. and Judith M. Austin
14	Norma Lynn Covey	Leslie C. and Lorraine E. Bragg

Date	Name	Parents
November		
24	Sandra Adell Bolduc	William J. Sr. and Sandra M. Moore
25	Richard Alan Burnham	Walter J. Jr. and Louise V. Myers
December		
7	Andre Edward Boudriault	Leonard R. and Jacqueline M. Levesque
20	Joseph Rene Langevin	Edward F. and Irene M. Boudriault

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
1963				
January				
8	Anna (Hunkele) Wright	87	5	3
February				
2	Royal John VanWagner	81	3	6
10	William O'Connell	17	5	23
18	Daniel Harrison Wells, Sr.	83	1	11
March				
1	Ann (Kerestory) Kallaugher	70	4	26
20	Charles Austin Gore	72	5	0
26	Kittie (Dore) Blanchard	78	11	12
28	Minnie Mae (Drechsler) Millett	76	6	28
May				
3	George W. Dockham	76	5	6
11	Eliza L. Walker	92	6	17
June				
2	Eva G. (Jackell) Young	67	11	15
11	Jeremiah J. Callahan	85	3	5
25	Margaret Sarah Almy Bowman	19	11	24
July				
17	Hattie L. (White) Illingworth	80	8	8
22	Edmund C. Supernor	80	10	15
August				
4	Stanley W. Montrim	71	6	15
September				
11	Esther (Root) Parker	72	4	21

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
October				
5	Harry Wesley Martin	53	0	29
5	Baby Boy Blake	—	—	4
6	Judith Karen Glynn	22	0	4
18	Gertrude (Fay) Plimpton	92	7	17
21	Herman Arthur Rietzel	75	4	1
November				
19	Thomas Vennert	79	3	2
21	Maud (Goodwill) Kenworthy	90	9	23
December				
1	Amy Lenora (Capen) Capen	83	5	4
3	Lillian (Howard) Brown	50	6	26
4	Michelle Mary Devine	2	2	3
10	Antoinette R. (Snay) Dionne	60	3	9
12	Dosithe Surprenant	84	—	—

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
1963				
June				
22	Warren J. Ellis	Palmer	Patricia A. Baldina	Brimfield
29	David E. Carr	No. Adams	Nancy I. Fuller	Brimfield
July				
3	Joseph D. Nacsin	Palmer	Shirley E. Meyrick	Brimfield
20	Richard E. Puduski		Irma J. S. Puduski	
		Brimfield		Southbridge
27	Kenneth A. Learned		Caroline A. Blake	Brimfield
		Brimfield		
August				
3	Robert R. Lazure	Brimfield	Jeanne M. Lapierre	Sturbridge
3	Norris U. Demetrius		Carolyn I. Morin	Warren
		Brimfield		
3	Gordon W. McClure		Carole J. Bennett	Brimfield
	Wallingford, Vermont			
25	Antonio R. Martin	Brimfield	Eleanor A. Thompson	Brimfield
31	Paul H. Zarou	Wales	Annette Pimpare Smith	Warren
31	Douglas J. McVeigh		Priscilla A. Kennedy	Oxford
		Brimfield		

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
October				
19	Edward F. Carliell, Jr.	Brookfield	Margaret E. Duckworth	Brimfield
November				
2	Ronald N. Biron	Fiskdale	Donna L. Herrington	Brimfield
December				
14	Raymond C. Wood	Brimfield	Delys M. Gauthier	Spencer

GENERAL BY-LAWS

Article 27 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting:

To see if the Town will vote to repeal Section 15 of Article II of the Town By-Laws which was adopted by the Town on December 23, 1957.

Action taken on said article was as follows:

Motion made and supported to disapprove the repeal of Section 15 of Article II of the Town By-laws, which was adopted by the Town on December 23, 1957. Section 15 is quoted as follows:

“All motions having to do with the expenditure of money shall be presented in writing; other motions shall be in writing if so directed by the Moderator.”

Count of vote taken; Yes 22 (not to repeal)

No 42 (in favor of repeal)

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This change in the By-Laws was DISAPPROVED by the Attorney General for the reason that although “the vote upon motion made and supported failed of passage to disapprove; however, you have not submitted any separate motion and vote relative to approval.”

Chapter 39, Section 23A of the General Laws provides that "Except in an emergency, no meeting of any town board, commission or school committee shall be held unless a notice of such meeting has been filed at least twenty-four hours prior to such meeting with the clerk of the town. For the purposes of this section, 'emergency' shall mean a situation where immediate, undelayed action is deemed to be imperative."

Due to a change in the election laws during 1963, absentee ballots can no longer be mailed to the home address of a voter who will be absent from town on election day; "such ballot shall be mailed to a municipality other than the city or town wherein he is registered." (quoted from Chapter 111 of the Acts of 1963.) Absentee ballots because of disability will be handled as usual.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIANE L. SPOONER,

Town Clerk

COPY OF LETTER RECEIVED FROM
THE BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS:

Mr. Arthur H. MacKinnon

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

Boston, Mass.

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Brimfield for the period from July 23, 1961, the date of the previous examination, to October 12, 1963, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the books and records of the town treasurer and the town accountant.

The town accountant's ledgers were analyzed, the recorded receipts being compared with the treasurer's cash book, while the payments, as entered, were checked with the selectman's warrants and with the treasurer's books. The appropriations and transfers were compared with the town clerk's records of financial votes passed by the town meetings and with the finance committee's authorizations of transfers from the reserve fund. The necessary audit adjustments were made, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on October 12, 1963 was prepared and is appended to this report.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the town accountant's ledger, with the records of the departments collecting money for the town, and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the treasury warrants and with the accountant's books.

The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on October 12, 1963 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the several trust and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed. The income was proved and all transactions and balances were verified and compared with the books of the town accountant.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal and State taxes and the county retirement system were examined. The deductions were footed and compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, while the payments to the proper agencies were verified.

The records of tax titles and tax possessions held by the town were examined and checked. The amounts transferred from the tax levies to the tax title account were compared with the collector's books, the redemptions and sales were checked with the treasurer's cash books, and the tax titles and tax possessions on hand were listed and reconciled with the controlling ledger accounts.

The books and accounts of the Brimfield-Holland Welfare District were examined and checked in conjunction with the audit of the town treasurer's accounts. The recorded receipts were compared with the sources from which money was paid into the district treasury,

and the payments were checked with the warrants approved by the prudential committee. The treasurer's cash balance on October 12, 1963 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement received from the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax and excise accounts outstanding according to the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and proved with the warrants of the assessors. The cash book additions were verified, and the reported payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts. The abatements, as entered, were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted. the transfers to the tax title account were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the ledger controls.

Further verification of the outstanding tax and excise accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

It is again recommended that the tax collector make a determined effort to secure a prompt settlement of all delinquent tax and excise accounts.

The financial records of the town clerk were examined and checked. The collections on account of dog and sporting licenses issued were verified and compared with the payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them for the faithful performances of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of departmental cash collections by the board of selectmen, the town hall custodian, and the sealer of weights and measures, as well as by the police, fire, highway, school, library and cemetery departments, and by all other departments in which money was collected for the town, were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer were verified by comparison with the treasurer's and the accountant's books, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

In addition to the balance sheet, there are appended to this report tables showing reconciliations of the treasurer's and the tax collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

On behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation for the cooperation received from the several town officials during the progress of the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ

Assistant Director of Accounts

A true copy, Attest

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

(Printed in accordance with the provisions of
Chap. 44, Sec. 40 of the General laws.)
To the inhabitants of the Town of Brimfield

Assessors' Report

Total Raised by Taxation	\$287,880.00
Appropriated from Available Funds	37,856.58
Overlay Deficits of Previous Years	1,674.30
State Parks and Reservations	712.21
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County Tax	4,279.06
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	95.39
Overlay of Current Year	5,000.00
Available Funds and Estimated Receipts	164,949.79
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	172,602.80

TAX RATE — \$35.00 per M

Polls (438) @ \$2.00	876.00
Personal Property Valuation	400,910.00
Real Estate Valuation	4,505,570.00
Total Valuation	4,906,480.00
Motor Vehicle Excise (1962)	4,921.96
Motor Vehicle Excise (1963)	29,313.13
Classified Forest Land Tax	948.15
Farm Animal Excise	266.12

Respectfully Submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN M. HALEY

ANDREW W. GONDEK

Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE LINCOLN-DANIELSON
LIBRARY FUND TRUSTEES

During the year 1963, the Trustees spent \$416.69 from the accured income on this fund. All exterior wood on the library was given two coats of paint, eaves-troughs were repaired, windows reglazed, a dormer reshungled and other necessary repairs were made in order to properly maintain the building.

ROGER W. BENNETT

EVERETT D. LANDEN

CHENEY NEWTON, Trustees

Board of Public Welfare

A social agency, public or private, is anything but inanimate, and its attitudes, including its policies and procedures, its traditions of service, the way it provides such services, the types of service, are basically important in determining the help given to its clients. The meeting of two people to solve the problems of one of them is not a simple matter. Yet the relationship, personal as can be, is the core of case-work in every agency — and building a relationship with a client is a basic requisite to all future contacts and hopes for strengthening the client, and eventually, possible independence.

As this occurs, the individual, coming to the public welfare agency will know that he is respected, will find that he himself, as well as his dilemma is understood, will discover that there are persons who believe in his possibilities, and that there are services which he can use to promote his better living. Social case work is one of the means by which a public agency seeks to express in action, its end: Human well-being.

Human well-being, as far as this agency can go, resolves itself into five different categories, and their particular areas of service. There are two for the aged, one for services to families with dependent children, one for the totally or partially disabled, one for the temporarily indigent for medical or otherwise. These are appropriately named Old Age Assistance, Medical Aid to the Aged, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Disability Assistance, and General Relief. Since the first four listed have Federal as well as State participation in financing, there are particular eligibility factors involved. Thorough investigations allow those fully qualified to obtain either financial or medical assistance,

or both. In General Relief, the situation is the same, altho this category is strictly a local responsibility. We aided in 1963 an average of 7.2 OAA cases per mo., 4.4 MAA cases per mo., 6.3 AFDC cases per mo., 0.0 DA cases per mo., and 7 G.R. cases through the year. We aided 5 cases outside of Brimfield with settlement in this town. We aided an average of 46.7 persons per month throughout the year. We are indeed fortunate that our indigent number is so low.

Administration-wise, there has been an increase in Federal participation and reimbursement, and this went into effect Sept. 1, 1963. This is somewhat balanced off by an amendment to Chap. 117, of the General Laws whereby settlement is abolished by the General Court. As of January 1, 1964, we will no longer be able to claim reimbursement for cases coming into this community and shortly afterwards requiring public assistance. In the past, should such occur, we would determine place of settlement, and after notice to such community, we would bill the city or town and be reimbursed. If no place of settlement was determined, the State would reimburse in full. Now, each community will be responsible for those in need, with only a small percentage of total costs, minus Federal and State participation, reimbursable by the State. This amount has been determined by the new amendment, and too complicated to list here.

I would like to thank those organizations, social groups, anonymous donors friends, and stores, who so generously gave money and merchandise for our little Brimfield-Holland community Christmas fund. You can all be assured that it brought joy and appreciation.

ALBERT R. DUPSHA,

Director of Public Welfare

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH, Chairman

TIMOTHY DENNING

ROBERT STUART

Tax Collector's Report

1963		
Commitments as per warrant		\$173,567.75
Abatements refunded		574.35
		<hr/> 174,142.10
Cash to Treasurer	\$147,043.04	
To Tax Title	568.75	
Abatements	2,139.98	
	<hr/> 149,751.77	
		149,751.77
Outstanding December 31, 1963		<hr/> \$ 24,390.33
1962		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 21,522.45
Cash to Treasurer	\$15,107.31	
Abatements	141.36	
	<hr/> 15,248.67	
		15,248.67
Outstanding December 31, 1963		<hr/> \$ 6,273.78
1961		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 4,157.93
Cash to Treasurer	\$1,390.50	1,390.50
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 2,767.43
1960		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 2,619.47
Cash to Treasurer	\$1,196.30	1,196.30
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 1,423.17

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	594.76
Cash to Treasurer	\$312.76	
Abatements	35.00	
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	347.76	347.76
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	247.00

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	92.06
Abatements	\$ 24.80	24.80
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	67.26

CLASSIFIED FOREST LAND

1963

Commitments as per Warrant	\$	948.15
Cash to Treasurer	\$828.10	
To Tax Title	.70	
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	\$828.80	828.80
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	119.35

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	105.41
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 66.97	66.97
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	38.44

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	37.80
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 18.00	18.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	19.80

1960		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 78.66
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 11.40	11.40
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 67.26
1959		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 12.50
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 12.50	12.50
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		0.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1963		
Commitments as per Warrant		\$29,313.13
Abatements Refunded		353.92
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		29,667.05
Cash to Treasurer	\$16,455.18	
Abatements	1,449.40	
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	17,904.58	17,904.58
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$11,762.47
1962		
Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 2,797.20
Commitments in 1963		4,921.96
Abatements Refunded		385.28
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		8,104.44
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 5,035.75	
Abatements	666.03	
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	5,701.78	5,701.78
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 2,402.66

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 1,957.40
Cash to Treasurer	\$501.48	501.48
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 1,455.92

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 1,257.82
Cash to Treasurer	\$147.14	147.14
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 1,110.68

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 337.83
Abatement rescinded		12.83
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		350.66
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 73.49	73.49
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 277.17

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 174.48
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 9.53	9.53
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 164.95

1957

Outstanding January 1, 1963		\$ 45.65
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE

Commitments as per Warrant		\$ 266.12
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 210.62	210.62
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		\$ 55.50

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	24.38
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 24.38	24.38
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		0.00

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	23.75
Refund		1.88
Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	25.63
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1960

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	16.42
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Outstanding December 31, 1963	\$	16.42

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	20.00
Abatement		20.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		0.00

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1963	\$	35.73
Abatement		35.73
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Outstanding December 31, 1963		0.00

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY SMITH

Planning Board Report

Most of the work of the Planning Board has been of a routine nature. Several plans for subdivision were submitted, all but one of which were deemed not to require approval under the Rules and Regulations. In this one instance the applicant chose not to proceed further.

The Board has had to initiate action in one case which it believes to be a violation. This case is still active.

Mr. Burton G. MacArthur's resignation from the Board was regretfully accepted. In the short time he was on the Board he made several valuable contributions. The Board of Selectmen appointed Mr. Theodore Closson to fill this vacancy.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK, Chairman

JAMES C. HATCH

ERNEST G. ROBERTS

THEODORE CLOSSON

PERRY WESTON

Highway Surveyor's Report

Under the direction of the state engineer work was continued on the Chapter 90 construction project — the Monson Road. Plans are that the state will let bids for the new bridge on this road during 1964.

Under Chapter 90 maintenance resurfacing was done on the Brookfield Road, Wales Road, and the Holland Road as prescribed.

Under Chapter 81 a new piece of road was built on the Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road. Drainage work, resurfacing, graveling, scraping and brush cutting were done according to the plans of the state engineer.

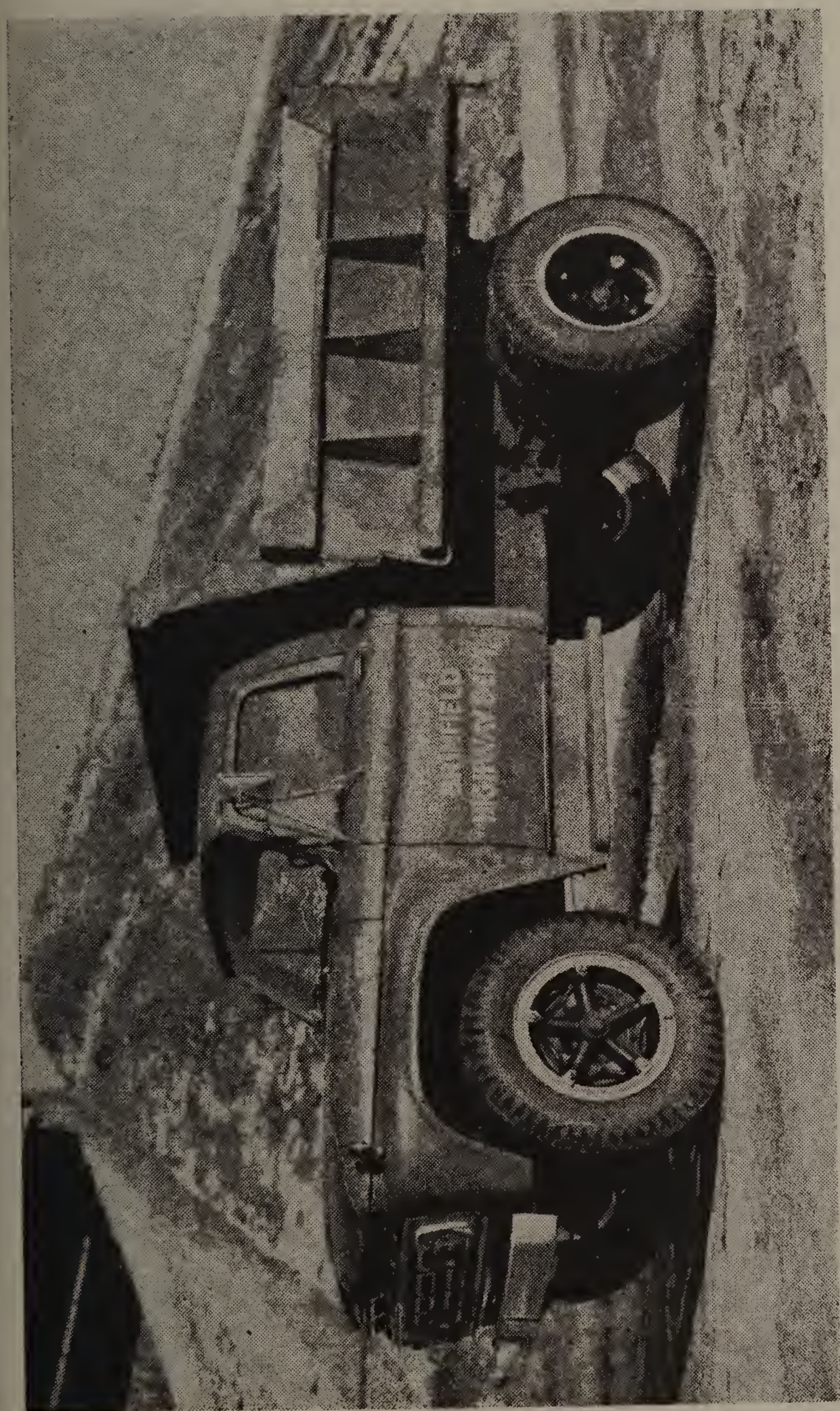
Under general highways a new bridge was built on the John Haley Road.

Every effort has been made to keep the roads plowed and sanded as soon as possible. I greatly appreciate people calling me when they have a problem.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY D. WELLS, JR.

Highway Surveyor & Highway Superintendent



Memorial Day Committee

The Town Memorial Day Committee was pleased with the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliary who participated in the Memorial Day Parade.

Appreciation is also expressed to Henry Pappas, Superintendent of Schools, and to the Elementary School, which, with the assistance of Tantasqua Regional High School Band, furnished the afternoon program.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY MOORE
ALBERT GENDREAU
MARK NEWTON
FRANK BOONE
MARGARET GILMAN
GLADYS WEBBER

Dog Officer

To the Board of Selectmen:

During the year, I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 21 dogs and have disposed of 26 dogs. Disposed of 2 dogs hit by cars, 2 dogs of owners died, 1 dog sickly found at town dump. Disposed of 2 heifers, death caused by dogs. I have investigated 8 complaints. 1 dog had distemper, owner allowed dog to run. 3 dogs had bitten people, 1 dog digging up shubbery at neighbors, 1 dog chasing cattle, and 1 dog ran out into road at passing horse.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MOREAU
Dog Officer

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Board of Selectmen

Town of Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1963.

Gasolene Pumps	20
Oil Pumps	2
Platform Scales	2
Spring Scales	2
Computing Scale	1
Avoirdupois Weights	6

Respectfully submitted,
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH
Sealer of Weights & Measures

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

Total expenditures for 1963 were \$1788.00, of which \$322.00 was for grave openings and foundation work which was refunded and paid to the Treasurer, leaving \$1466.00 actually spent for maintenance and equipment. We believe this is about normal and therefore request an appropriation of \$1500.00 for 1964.

At the present time, there are only sixteen full lots available, and it is therefore essential that the adjacent acreage be surveyed, and without delay, and the area

developed for use. We hope to have an estimate of cost for this work shortly.

During the past year, it was necessary for Mr. Howlett to resign from the Commission in order to continue as Caretaker. The Town is indebted to him for the many years he served on the Board and for his sincere efforts to do the best possible job for the least expense.

Respectfully submitted,
CHENEY F. NEWTON
EVERETT D. LANDEN
Cemetery Commissioners

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 1, 1963	\$115,768.93	
Cash Receipts	450,486.29	
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		\$566,255.22
Paid on Treasury Warrants	\$466,389.09	
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1963	99,866.13	
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		\$566,255.22

Respectfully submitted,
MERRILL SPEAR,
Treasurer

Librarian's Report

1963

The Brimfield Public Library has made every effort to offer adequate library service to the entire community. The following statistics do not measure, but rather are an indication of the use made of those services. During this year 8,940 titles were loaned. Of these 4,967 were adult, and 3,973 juvenile. (Of the total, 1115 were periodicals.) In addition, 613 books were sent to the Elementary School (in January only), making the number of books loaned from the Library 9,553. From January to June, the children in the schools read 2,380 titles, making a total of 11,933 books used in the community through the services of the Library. A total of 4,841 persons came to the Library, 1,820 adults, 3,021 boys and girls.

Perhaps the most important development this year has been the rapid expansion of the Central Massachusetts Regional Library, of which Brimfield is an active affiliate. With headquarters in Worcester and Fitchburg, the Regional Library offers reference and interlibrary loan, film and advisory services. Free telephone calling for requests, when needed, and prepaid mailing costs of materials loaned under this set-up, have made available at no cost the resources of both large libraries, and of most of the other libraries of the area. The Regional Library not only pays prompt and careful attention in meeting individual requests, but also provides large collections of books to supplement the Library's own collection. All these services are available to this community through your local Library. As a result, the use of interlibrary loans has increased from 58 in 1962 to 252 in 1963, most of them coming from Fitchburg or

Worcester. Requests have varied from material on how to tan a bear's hide to information on the problem of the psychology of the left-handed child.

The Library's own collection has increased; there having been added 1,453 titles (cataloged) between 1958 and 1962, plus many paperbacks, as well as the goodly number of books purchased in 1963. This increase, together with the fine collections available from the Regional Library is posing a problem — where will the books be shelved? Need for re-arrangement and/or expansion of shelf space is becoming a must, for good library service not only provides space for books, but also implies that there should be a comfortable, well-lighted place for readers to browse and select books, as well as a pleasant place in which to read. We have the latter.

The Division of Library Extension at Boston has changed certain of its policies with regard to loaning books. Individual's requests will be filled through the Library as usual, but beginning with September 1963, all books for the Elementary School are to be sent directly to the schools, the responsibility for their distribution and care resting with the school rather than with the Library. This past semester, the Librarian assisted in making up the classroom collections, and will continue to cooperate with the schools until all routines are set up. This change of policy has decreased the number of books circulated through a library service, but the really important result is the fact that the boys and girls have in no way been deprived of their daily access to library books. This is proven by the fact that Mr. Arthur Bush, Principal of the Elementary School, reported that 1,667 books had been issued at the school since September of this year.

All elementary groups, as well as the kindergarten from Hitchcock Community Center have visited the Library twice this year. They came to get Library cards, to browse and select books, for library instruction

and/or a story hour. These visits have brought in new borrowers, in some cases helping to introduce whole new families.

Through the cooperation of the Library Trustees, it has been made possible for the Librarian to attend various library conferences which have been quite helpful. The Librarian has also been guest speaker and representative of the Library at the Sturbridge Kindergarten P.T.A. and the Brimfield Historical Society.

The Library has received many gifts during 1963, the most obvious one being the new light in the yard, with its black and gold sign designed in the style of the period in which the present building was erected. It was a gift of neighbors and friends of the Library, and has provided much needed lighting for persons using the Library during the evenings.

There have been several memorial gifts, both single titles and groups of books. One memorial took the form of the generous payment of the bill for "a group of children's nature books". There seems no more fitting tribute to a friend or a member of the family than the placing of a book or books in the Library, where, with their memorial bookplates, they are made available to the whole community.

The long-out-of-print Morse — Annals of the Church in Brimfield found its way from a Connecticut attic, back to Brimfield, and is now being re-bound in hard covers.

Several periodicals given currently to the Library have been of great help to Tantasqua students as well as to the general public. Large groups of detective stories have proven a boon to "who dunnit" readers. An antique pudding mold, once owned by Miss Margaret Dunsmore is now placed with other interesting mementos of earlier days in Brimfield.

The Knights of Columbus have continued to give four books each year. To Mr. Henry Pappas and Mr. John

Parker, we are indebted for a long-needed book truck on wheels, which was made at Tantasqua; also to the Garden Club which made the beautiful Christmas wreath for the front door — their annual gift. To all these and to many other donors we wish to extend the Library's appreciation.

The organization of the Brimfield Historical Society in May 1962, created increasing interest in the history of the Brimfield area, and a corresponding increase in the use of historical material collected through the years by the Library. An important addition to these resources has been made recently in the form of twelve loose-leaf volumes of pictures from the F. Edgar Brown Collection, mounted, identified and cataloged by Mr. Lester Parker, President of the Historical Society and a Library Trustee. The Society has also placed in the Library a collection of contemporary color photographs of Brimfield houses and scenes, taken and presented by Mrs. Rubie Crane of Holland. The Library and the Historical Society are cooperating in the preparation of more photographs and other historical material which will soon be available.

The Librarian is most grateful to the Library Trustees for their help and cooperation, their encouragement and their patience. The share they play in making this a good library is far greater than is realized. The Library hours of opening are:

Wednesday	2:00 - 5:30 P.M.	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.
Thursday	1:30 - 5:30 P.M.	
Saturday	2:00 - 5:30 P.M.	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

You are most cordially invited to use the services which this, your Library, offers you.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) MARY ELEANOR STREETER

Librarian

Civil Defense Report

My appointment as Civil Defense Director was made by the Selectmen in March 1963 for the ensuing year.

I have attended monthly meetings at Sector "4A" headquarters in Wilbraham. Communications and possible C.D. Public Shelters have been among the main topics discussed.

Brimfield was well represented at a Radiological Monitor Course given in Springfield and Wilbraham. Six local men plus your C.D. Director successfully completed this course, and will soon be assigned to fixed monitor stations.

Radio communication tests and exercise are held the first Monday of each month at the town hall. We have been very fortunate to obtain David Gendreau as Radio Officer for Brimfield.

We now have the fire radio and the C.D. radio in the C.D. room at the town hall. We hope soon to have the citizen band radio installed there also. Having the three radios centrally located will simplify communications during an emergency.

Your C.D. Director wishes to thank all for their help and cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH SILVIUS

Director of Civil Defense

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Chief Wesley Martin died on October 5, 1963 and his son Robert was appointed his temporary successor. On Oct. 28, 1963 I was appointed Fire Chief to fill the unexpired term of Robert Martin whose resignation became effective on October 31, 1963. The effective date of my appointment was November 1, 1963.

I as most people, knew Wes as a personal friend and an asset to our community. His passing means that we have not only lost an excellent Chief, but also a citizen who by his actions and deeds was the epitome of altruism.

Department activities for 1963:

Fires reported by the tower	7
Dump fires	4
House fire — (Total Loss)	1
Work shop - garage (Wales)	1
Chimney fires	4
Grass fires	8
Woodland fires	1

Our one forest fire burned for two days April 12-13 and was patrolled for two days, April 14-15. This fire burned over approximately 400 acres, and was fought by 113 firemen from the towns of Monson, Wales, Holland and Brimfield and by the State Fire Warden Lucius Holton and his men.

The cost of this fire was very high and I hope that during the ensuing year everyone will obtain a permit before burning and then exercise extreme caution.

Respectfully submitted,

SUMNER D. BARR

Fire Chief

Ambulance Service

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1963.

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year as follows:

The Department had calls from 38 local residents including Accidents. There were 23 outside calls from Wales and Holland with a total of 61 calls and 1,149 miles of driving during the year.

This has been a busy year for our Ambulance Service, as you see it proved its worth both day and night. In outlying districts such as Brimfield, Wales and Holland having no resident physician the Ambulance provides very necessary medical security.

The Fire Department staged an Annual Supper in January, Firemen's Dance in April, Easter Special in April and Lawn Party in August. All proceeds received were used to help defray the expenses of the Ambulance Service.

During the year to improve the Service the Department added the Mary Lane Hospital in Ware to the list and also purchased a later model, a 1957 Pontiac to replace the 1953 Ambulance.

These projects are very necessary since the Ambulance is not self supporting.

Residents are transported free of charge to the Palmer, Southbridge, Stafford Springs and Ware Hospitals and only a nominal charge is made for transportation to other institutions involving a greater driving distance.

The members of the Department who hold a certificate for the Advance First Aid Course were very helpful during the past year.

The Department wishes to express gratitude for all the help rendered by the Nurses, Drivers and every one who made this year a success in our undertaking.

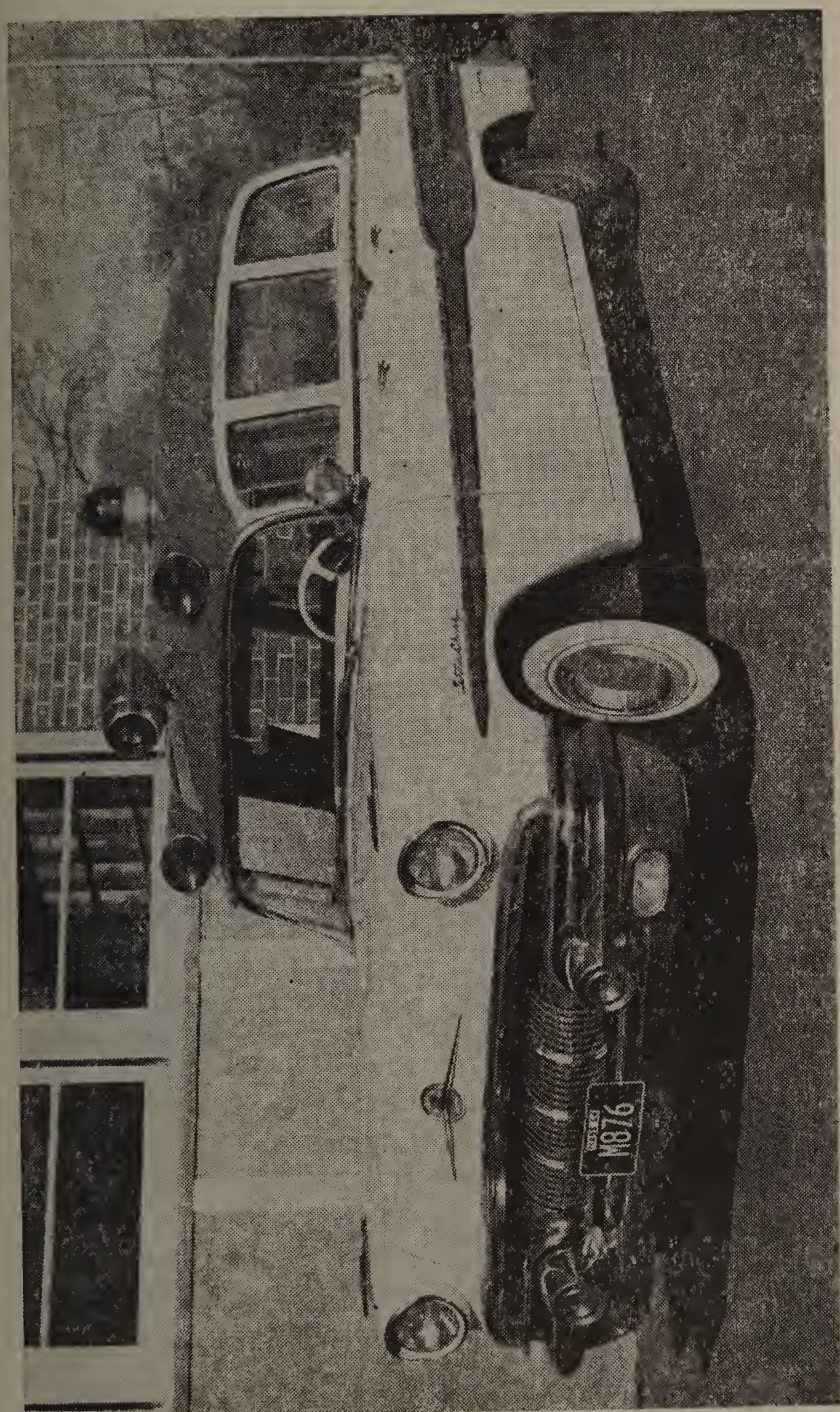
At this point I would like to stress that anytime when in need of Ambulance Service please Dial CHurchill 5-7222.

Hoping for everyone's consideration in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE, Sec.

Brimfield Volunteer Fire Department



County Aid to Agriculture

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth — Chapter 128 — The Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are further empowered to maintain agents to conduct meetings or demonstrations, make individual farm and home visits and in all ways help to improve home and community interests in every way possible.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations or otherwise in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward better business, better living and better community service and have been capably assisted by hundreds of local volunteer leaders to this end.

In Brimfield the following citizens have been of real assistance in promoting such assigned projects as have been conducted during the year:—

Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeLand, Mrs. Lester Dutka, Mrs. Edward Killian, Mrs. Alexander McVeigh, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Prentiss, Johnstone Prescott, Mrs. George Shields and Mrs. Herbert Wright.

A total expense of \$105.76 was incurred during the year for either travel or purchase of material needed in carrying on the various projects by the local leaders. The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1963 Appropriation	\$ 25.00
1962 Unexpended Balance	116.58
Total Available for 1963	141.58
Total Expenditures in 1963	105.76
1964 Balance Available	35.82
1964 Recommended Appropriation	50.00

Respectfully submitted,
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture
By ALBERT H. FULLER, Clerk

4-H Conservation Club

During the 1963 4-H activities year the Conservation Club did not undertake any individual projects, but we did commence a long range plan for clearing some of the natural brooks that flow through the Town. The purposes of this project are to enhance the beauty of natural waterways flowing under a main road, to fight water pollution thus affording clean brooks for the stocking of trout, and to promote good flood control practices at a level which will not incur any cost to the Town.

The photograph depicts the start of our cleaning project. With the beginning of the school vacation, club members started to clear East Brook. This stream flows into and out of Sherman Pond, and until last year was stocked by the State. As a result of the 1955 flood, a

great deal of trash and other matter foreign to such a brook has accumulated in the stream bed as it leads out of Sherman Pond. In addition to this more or less natural accumulation of flood debris, persons unknown have tossed cans, bottles, and the like into the waters. Also, new growths of brush have contributed to the choking of this brook.

Starting at the downstream side of the bridge carrying Route 20, the Club cleaned out over 400 feet of the stream bed, cutting brush back from both banks. We intend to proceed in this fashion as far as we can, with of course the permission of landowners abutting, and without the aid of earthmoving machinery. We feel that this service project serves very well as a useful summer and fall activity.

In addition to the brook project, we distributed and installed 50 SMOKEY the BEAR fire prevention posters and relocated five Wood Duck nesting boxes. The relocation was necessary due to a land filling and swamp reclaiming program initiated by one of the local farmers.

This Club meets on the second and fourth Fridays of each month, 7:30 to 9:00 P.M., at Hitchcock Community Center. We welcome all boys 11 to 18 years of age who are interested in wildlife and conservation of natural resources.

Left to Right: Bruce Lindsay, Warren Willis, Jr., Glenn McIntyre, William Pratt, Dennis Lindsay, and John Prescott get a good start at recovering debris from East Brook.

We wish to thank all of our friends for their support and help, particularly the officials of the Community Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN PRESCOTT, Leader

GLENN MCINTYRE, Junior Leader



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

of the

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

for the

Year Ending Decemmmber 31, 1963

Member	Term Expires
MRS. PERRY WESTON, Chairman and Representative to Tantasqua Committee	1964
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Secretary	1966
LESTER E. DUTKA	1964

Superintendent of Schools

HENRY A. PAPPAS

Office Hours

8:30 A.M. — 5:00 P.M.

When School Is In Session

Telephone 1-617-347-3077 Office

1-617-347-9075 Residence

Principal of Elementary School

ARTHUR H. BUSH

Office Hours

8:30 A.M. — 3:45 P.M.

Telephone 5-3326 School

1-617-943-0782 Residence, Dudley, Mass.

School Physician

JOHN J. RIGATTI, M.D.

Telephone 347-3634

School Nurse

VERVA MACUMBER, R.N.

Supervisor of Attendance

EDWARD E. SHEERAN

Hours of School Session

Elementary

8:45 A.M. — 3:15 P.M.

No School Signal

Information will be BROADCAST over stations
WARE and WESO between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 A.M.

Entrance Age of Pupils

Six years of age or on before the first of January
following the opening of School in September.

School Committee Meetings — Last Monday of each
month throughout year — at the School — 7:30 P.M.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1963-1964

1963

September 4 thru December 20 — Fall Term 73 Days

Holidays

October 14 — Teachers Workshop

October 18 — Hampden County Convention

November 11 — Veterans Day

November 28-29 — Thanksgiving Recess

December 20 thru January 1 — Christmas Recess

January 2 thru February 14 — Winter Term 32 Days

February 15 thru February 23 — Winter Recess

February 24 thru April 17 — Spring Term 38 Days

Holidays

March 27 — Good Friday

April 18 thru April 26 — Spring Recess

April 27 thru June 19 — 38 Days

Total 181 Days

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1963

Administrative Staff	Name	Training	Yrs. of Service	Brimfield Service	Total Years Service
Superintendent	Henry A. Pappas	B.A., Ed. M., Boston University	0	14	14
Secretary	Catherine Morris		0	4	4
Bookkeeper	Pia Sherman		0	0	0
Clerk	Doris Taylor		0	3	3
Clerk	May Silverberg		0	5	5
Elementary School					
Grade I	Marion Maloney	Westfield State College	8	14	14
Grade I	Brenda Marotto	B.S., Springfield College	0	1	1
Grade II	Florence Gendreau		10	14	14
Grade II & III	Mary Moore	Westfield State College	1	1	1
Grade III	Mary McDonald	Westfield State College	1	16	16
Grade IV	Susan Smith	B.A., University of Connecticut	0	0	0
Grade V	Harold Piligian	North Adams State College	0	0	0
Grade VI	Arthur Bush	B.S., Boston College, Ed. M., Bridgewater State	0	5	5
Helping Teacher	Helen Sweeney	Oneonta Teachers College	9	19	19
Music	Anita Afton		0	0	0
Janitor	Edward Sheeran				

School Committee's Report

Your School Committee wishes to acknowledge the many years of service rendered to Brimfield by the several persons, who, for various reasons, are no longer with the local school program. Speaking for the town and ourselves we extend our deep felt appreciation to these persons, and hope for their continued success.

Mr. Harold M. Ladd, Supt. 21 Years.

Miss Gladys Webber, Teacher 23 Years.

Mr. Homer Parker, School Committeeman 8 Years.

The Committee has had a very busy year and made many far reaching decisions and changes. In addition to regular monthly meetings, we have been participating in the dissolution of Union No. 5 and the organization of the new Union No. 61 on August 3, 1963. This is comprised of the same five towns which make up Tantasqua Regional District, the new Union will provide for a similar foundation for the elementary grades arriving at Junior High School. Your Superintendent's report further details the advantages of this new Union No. 61, the largest Superintendency in the Commonwealth. Mrs. Perry Weston, our local Chairman, was Chairman of the five town planning committee for the new Union, and is now Secretary of Union No. 61.

Upon the resignation of Mr. Parker under the conflict of interest legislation, the remaining members in a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen, appointed Mr. Lester Dutka to serve on the Committee until March 1964.

Henry A. Pappas, a graduate of Boston University (Political Science major) B.A. and Master of Education degree from the same University, was unanimously appointed Superintendent of School Union No. 61. We were

extremely pleased to find him most cooperative, particularly in securing four teachers to fill vacancies on our teaching staff.

We have a new Principal, Mr. Arthur Bush, Boston College graduate who majored in Sociology and received his Master in Education at Bridgewater State Teacher's College. We appreciate the many extra hours he works at the school and his eagerness to cooperate in any way to improve the school.

The State Supervisor of Education, Mr. John Schomer, examined our elementary schools in the five towns and made many recommendations for improvements to unify the educational system. Your school had five of the 27 recommendations in force, thirteen were underway and the balance being considered, all prior to Mr. Schomer's report.

We are deeply grateful to the kindness of Miss Alice Lombard and Miss Esther Lombard who gave the school a display cabinet for the front hall in memory of their sister, Miss Harriet Lombard, who was a devoted and beloved teacher in Brimfield for thirty-eight years.

The summer months saw much activity at your elementary School. An extensive repair and maintenance program was carried out. Included was the first major overhaul of the room heating-ventilating units in twelve years. This much needed overhaul is no reflection on the abilities of our custodian, but merely the product of time. It is noted in connection with the heating plant, the committee procured a 5,000 gallon fuel oil tank to be installed in the summer of 1964. This tank, purchased at sharply reduced cost will provide greater economy in fuel costs, particularly in view of an anticipated building program.

In conclusion, we wish to thank Supt. Pappas and his office staff, our school nurse, our cafeteria manager and her helper, the Mother's Club of the School, our custodian and all the teaching staff who have helped to maintain and improve our Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVE D. WESTON, Chairman

LESTER E. DUTKA

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Secretary

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my first annual report as Superintendent of School Union No. 61 and the Tantasqua School District.

I wish at this time to express to the various school committees, parents and citizens of our school union my gratitude for your patience and interest in these difficult four months of changeover and budgets.

However difficult these months have been for all of us, I am more than pleased and quite optimistic for the future of our school system. The basis of this optimism is founded on specifics, not generalities, on activities underway, not projected. Let's take a look at the activities within the Union and District of the past four months.

Tantasqua completed its addition, allowing junior and senior high students to go back to single session.

Sturbridge Elementary is presently under construction on its addition, and it is expected to be completed this spring.

Holland Elementary School is under construction on its addition, and progress is considered excellent at this writing.

Wales has gone through the preliminary procedures on a new building for their Elementary School, of which, I am sure, the citizens of the community will be proud.

Brimfield is presently in the preliminary stages of adding to its present facility in order to fill the needs of a growing population.

Brookfield, while not undergoing any phase of building, is cognizant of the fact that they are operating with a total elementary population of 300.

These building activities lead me to feel optimistic because the citizens of this school union, questioning, recommending, searching and studying, fully aware of the additional tax burden, are more fully aware of the value of proper educational facilities for our children, the future citizens of our communities and our country.

From the standpoint of coordination of the elementary program, an administrative council has been established and is made up of the principals of all schools, elementary and high school, and guidance personnel also from the high school. To date, this group developed a uniform report card for all elementary schools in the union. They have also developed a uniform permanent record card for elementary and high school use as well. I am proud to say that this administrative council worked on Saturdays and during Christmas vacation to expedite the development of these two forms.

In line with curriculum development, monies have been set aside in all communities of the union for personnel training. The object of this phase of program development is to allow teachers time to visit schools within the union and in other communities in order to become aware of what is going on in the field of education outside their own schools.

In addition, within the past four months, released time has been given to elementary teachers for a workshop session the second Thursday of each month. On these days, elementary and high school teachers meet in Lucier Hall at Tantasqua to hear speakers in the various subject areas of education, to witness demonstrations of new equipment in the field of audiovisual aids, and to meet in grade level groups to discuss problems on the individual grade levels and work toward a coordinated elementary program in the various subject areas.

The results of these activities have been successful. The staff has displayed interest and enthusiasm. They are getting to know one another and realize that, generally speaking, most teachers run into the same problems and that there are exceptions to the rule no matter where you are teaching. I am enthusiastic and optimistic as to the stimulation of the creative ability being generated within our staff.

This office and the various committees are endeavoring to equip each school with the most modern of educational equipment that has a proven and lasting educational value. This is being done with the utilization of all state and federal aid available in order to keep costs down. With an eye to keeping costs down, separate meetings have been scheduled with lunch program managers and custodians for the development of programmed purchasing which will definitely keep costs down. The same procedures are to be used in the purchase of school supplies, another area where costs can be reduced.

In summation, I again express an optimism and pride in our school community. Our children have the potential to meet the competition they face and are proving it. Our staff is evidently meeting the needs of these children and is striving constantly to improve this program. Finally, I am most proud of the attitude of the citizens of our school community in their constant searching demands for the best in education for these young people and their acceptance of the burdensome task of paying for these demands.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. PAPPAS

Superintendent of Schools

December 31, 1963

Report of the Elementary School Principal

Mr. Henry A. Pappas

Superintendent of Schools Union 61

Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Pappas:

I herewith submit my first annual report as principal of the Brimfield Elementary School.

This fall the fourth, fifth and sixth grades attended a concert presented by the Springfield Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Arthur Fiedler. This concert is one which is presented each year to expose our children to good music and to foster within them a sense of the aesthetic.

The year has seen the introduction of the Teachers Workshop. Here the teachers have the chance to keep abreast of the latest teaching trends and thinking. It also affords them an opportunity to exchange ideas with other teachers in Union No. 61 which is invaluable in itself. As a result of this workshop both teachers and pupils gain.

During American Education Week this year, parent-teacher interviews were arranged for two afternoons. The percentage of attendance was quite high. This cer-

tainly indicates a healthy interest in the Brimfield School. An "Open House" was also conducted one evening during this week which gave parents and others interested a chance to view equipment and texts.

A limited Physical Education Program has been introduced this year with Grades four, five and six participating in the weekly chin-up exercises with new door bars. When weather is conducive to an outside program we will use the new volleyball nets, playground balls and jump ropes to advantage.

Work has been started on new testing programs, courses of study, report cards, and cumulative records for Brimfield Elementary School and all the schools of Union No. 61. This is an area which requires many hours and hard work. The outlook is very optimistic and much has been done in a few short months.

A beautiful new display case has been given to the school this year in memory of Miss Lombard who taught here for 38 years. Such a display case is certainly very fitting for, as each class has a turn to display its work, it reminds the viewer of the hard work of one who taught children for so many years.

Mr. Sheeran, our most able custodian, has helped us with many things. In particular he has built and set up our new volleyball posts in the playground, a new "yard-ball" game, and is in the process of making new bulletin boards for the halls. The boards will enable the pupils to display more of their work. Mr. Sheeran and Mr. Dickinson both did a fine job in painting the school cafeteria, cafeteria tables, halls and a number of classrooms during the summer months, in addition to roofing and step repairs for the building.

We are very fortunate in having the services of Mrs. Howlett as manager of the school cafeteria. Only a little more than 55% of the pupils take advantage of this hot-lunch program. It seems that this program, at only twenty-five cents a lunch, could increase to at least 85%. The object of the program is to serve a hot lunch to each boy and girl for as little as possible.

In conclusion, Mr. Pappas, I wish to thank you for your guidance in school matters. I would like to thank the very fine group of teachers here at school for their genuine cooperation, optimistic outlook and continued search for excellence; the school committee for their hours of hard work to meet the needs of our pupils and to the parents for their sincere interest in the children and the school.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. BUSH,

Principal

January 3, 1964

Report of the The School Nurse

I submit herewith my annual report as School Nurse for the year ending December 31, 1963.

Pre-school registration for the school year was 35 children.

Pupils weighed and measured	198
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Pupils tested Mass. Vision	186
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Pupils who failed Mass. Vision test	10
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Hearing tests (audiometer)	198
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Physical examinations by Dr. M. H. Haight —
Grades IV and VI.

Physical examinations for pre-school —
Dr. Richard Butler.

Sabine Oral Vaccine — Grades II, IV, VI.

Family consultations and home visits	10
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All pupils examined periodically for pediculosis and indication of communicable diseases.

After resignation of Dr. Butler, Nurse saw pupils in her home every Thursday evening from 7-8 until close of school in June for clearance of illness.

We have had 7 children attending Worcester Speech Clinic every Thursday afternoon 3-4 since October 1, 1963.

Two pupils from Brimfield attend Special Education classes at Monson State Hospital.

I wish to extend my thanks to the School Committee, to Mr. Ladd, former Superintendent, to Mr. Pappas, present Superintendent, to the teachers and the parents for their cooperation in this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

VERA G. MACUMBER, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

As Music Supervisor of three of the Towns comprising Union No. 61, I am endeavoring to correlate a three-fold music program :

1. Theory of Music
2. Music Appreciation
3. Choral Training

Within each of the three schools there has been organized a Glee Club composed of interested and scholastically qualified students from grades four, five, and six. Special times have been arranged for these rehearsals.

An Elementary Chorus, made up of young singers from the five schools in Union No. 61, made its first public appearance at the annual Christmas Concert in the Tantasqua Auditorium on December 19th. It was a gratifying experience for the young people and your music supervisor to work together with other members of our school union.

Respectfully submitted,

ANITA B. AFTON, Music Supervisor for
Wales — Brookfield — Brimfield

REMEDIAL READING

	Total Class	Reached Grade	
		Moved	Level
January 1963 to June 1963	41	1	7
September to January 1964	42	3	1

Reading is a skill that must be developed through practice, just as any skill — baseball, swimming or playing an instrument — must be practiced. Since children develop at different rates both physically and mentally, they are not always able to develop their reading skills

at the chronological age of six. Parents can prepare their children by giving them many experiences, the chance to use the language and express themselves and by listening to them read at home.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN E. SWEENEY

BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS SALARY SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER, 1964

The purposes of establishing a salary schedule are:

- A. To attract and hold capable teachers.
- B. To insure standards of living in keeping with the profession.
- C. To enhance teaching abilities through the conditions of qualifying for scale.
See schedule.
- A. Annual salary increases for any teacher shall be granted as dependent upon continued satisfactory service and upon the earning by him or her of six semester hour credits for legitimate professional studies during each four-year period of service, with an approval by a Teachers' Committee for Accreditation and final approval by the Superintendent.
- B. If, upon entering employment in the Brimfield system, a teacher has had previous recorded experience, he or she shall be employed at the be-

ginning step of his or her category plus credit for said previous experience at \$200.00 per year, not to exceed three years. Starting scales in all categories shall be adjusted upwards upon statutory direction.

- C. Any combination of years of legitimate experience totalling eleven shall qualify a teacher for a salary adjustment in addition to incremental increases. Such adjustments shall be determined as follows and shall be in force so long as the qualifying teacher is below scale in his or her category:
 - 1. first pro-rata adjustment at \$50.00 each year until scale is achieved, and determined when the greater value of total service has occurred in the Brimfield system.
 - 2. second pro-rata adjustment at \$25.00 each year until scale is achieved, and determined when the greater value of total service has occurred in other than the Brimfield system.
- D. Upon receipt of the next highest qualifying degree a teacher shall automatically move laterally from his or her category to the same scale step in the next highest category.

- II. The salary of the principal shall be determined by the School Committee.
- III. Granting of incremental salary increases shall be at the discretion of the School Committee.
- IV. Substitute teachers shall be paid at the rate of \$16.00 per diem.
- V. The school staff, including custodians shall be paid on a twelve month basis, with payments being made on the Thursday of every second week for a total of 26 payments in a calendar year.

- VI. Each teacher shall be entitled to fifteen days' sick leave in any given calendar year and sick leave shall be cumulative to forty-five days.
- VII. Each teacher shall be granted three days' absence with pay in any given year for reasons of urgent personal business. Such authorized absence shall be non-cumulative.
- VIII. Every teacher, regular or substitute, in accepting a position in the Brimfield System, shall be required to agree to assume regular supervisory duties and responsibilities related to his or her teaching duties.

Years	LESS THAN		
EXPERIENCE	BACHELOR'S	BACHELORS	MASTERS
0	\$4500	\$4600	\$4800
1	4700	4800	5000
2	4800	5000	5200
3	4900	5200	5400
4	5050	5350	5600
5	5200	5500	5800
6	5350	5650	5950
7	5500	5800	6100
8	5600	5900	6250
9	5700	6000	6400
10	5800	6100	6550
11	5900	6200	6700

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS — 1963

As of October 1, 1963

	5 years of age or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
TOTAL IN TOWN			
Boys	50	168	
Girls	31	132	1
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TOTAL	81	300	1
In public school	49	288	
In continuation school			
In vocational school			
In private school	1	10	
In state and county schools and special classes for defectives and delinquents		2	
Not enrolled in any school	31		
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TOTAL	81	300	1

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT 1963

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Total
44	34	40	35	28	32	213

School Building Committee For 1963

This duly appointed committee hereby reports it's activities, expenditures, and progress pursuant to Article 21 of Town Warrant for 4 March 1963 Annual Meeting.

1. At an organization meeting on 26 June 1963, the committee inspected the school, reviewed the rec-

ommendations submitted by the survey committee, and unanimously voted to secure, for this building program, the services of Mr. C. W. Dingman, Architect, of Princeton, Mass.

2. Mr. Dingman met with the committee on 14 August 1963, at which time he was oriented to our existing plant, and the needs and desires of the Town regarding an addition to the Elementary School. He agreed to accept a commission pending appropriation of adequate funding for completion of Point 5 of the State School Building Assistnace Commission mandatory check list. Point 5 reads as follows:

“Preliminary Drawings to be filed at the SBAC office, Boston, prior to scheduling conference.”

To this end, Mr. Dingman further agreed to prepare two or more architectural plans, in sketch form, for appraisal by the building committee.

3. On 31 October 1963, the committee met to view and discuss three alternative plans as prepared in rough sketch form. In presenting these sketches, Mr. Dingman also exhibited slides depicting the school and the property as it exists currently, noting certain physical aspects for guidance of the committee in making a determination of preference. As of this reporting period, your committee has indicated it's preference and Mr. Dingman has agreed to proceed, at his own fiscal risk, again pending a supporting appropriation.
4. It is noted, for the record, that preliminary plans, acceptable to the SBAC, cannot be finalized without appropriation of monies by vote of 1964 Town Meeting. Accordingly, an Article requesting the sum of \$3400 has been submitted for inclusion in the 1964 Warrant. This funding will be used for preliminary drawings, a survey of the school property, as required by SBAC, and other costs as may accrue to the second phase of this program.

5. The Superintendent, as requested by this committee, has furnished a formal Educational Specification. Upon review and analysis, this specification has been forwarded to the SBAC thus fulfilling Point 3 of the check list.
6. Article 22 of 4 March 1963 Town Meeting made available to this committee, the sum of \$250 for use in conducting the first phase of the building program. That sum was expended as follows:
 - A. \$200 paid to Mr. Dingman for services to date.
 - B. \$14.65 expended for reproduction of prints and other documents, clerical services, and postage.
 - C. \$35.35 balance reverting to Town treasury.
7. In concluding this report, your building committee is pleased to cite that the progress noted herein reflects fine cooperation on the part of all persons and officials contacted during the past year. We further feel that maximum progress has been achieved to date, and we urgently request you to support the program, that it may be brought to a sound and satisfying conclusion. It is the pledge of this committee to serve in the best interest of Brimfield, it's taxpayers, and it's children. Therefore, as we continue toward fulfillment of the public mandate, so will we continue to stand in defense of the Public Trust.

Respectfully Submitted:

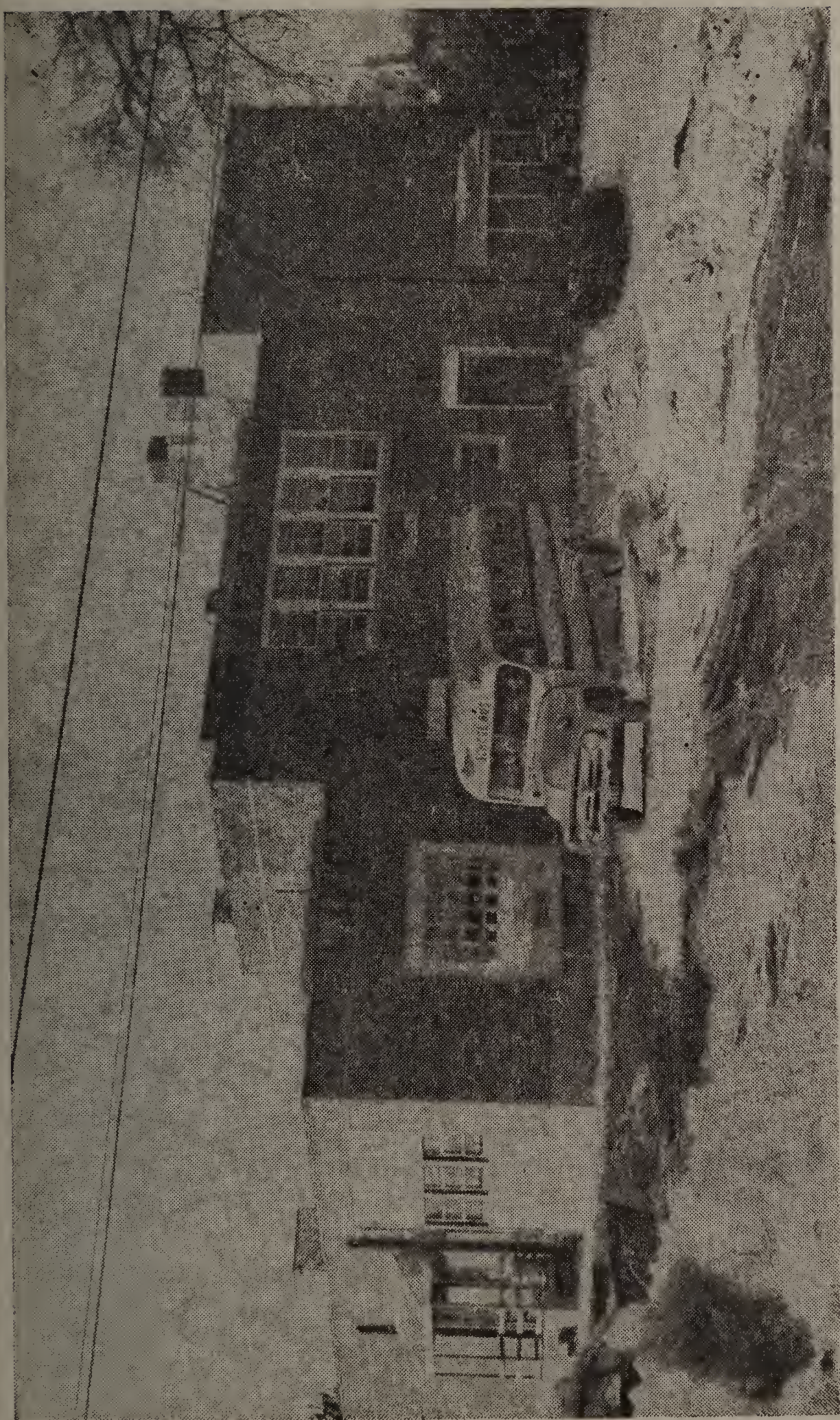
GERALD A. GUILD, Chairman

RICHARD C. ALLEN

WILLIAM B. COX

HOMER L. PARKER

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Recorder



FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1963

General Appropriation	\$98,995.00
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General Expense	\$4,793.94
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Expense of Instruction:	
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Teachers Salaries	44,288.96
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Text Books	1,377.75
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Supplies	1,563.49
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Expenses of Operating:	
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Janitors Wages	5,600.00
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Fuel	1,607.46
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Miscellaneous	2,315.92
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Maintenance (Repairs)	1,418.25
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Auxiliary Agencies:	
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Libraries	33.28
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Health	1,140.88
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Transportation (Elementary)	9,681.26
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Miscellaneous	192.98
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New Equipment	243.66
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	\$74,257.83
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Tantasqua Transportation	24,420.94
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Total Expenditures	98,678.77
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Balance Unexpended	316.23
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REIMBURSEMENT FROM STATE

General School Fund	\$28,574.90
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Superintendent's salary and travel	933.33
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Transportation	32,311.85
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Tuition & Transportation of State Wards	3,584.44
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Total Reimbursment from State	\$65,404.52
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Total Expenditures	\$98,678.77
Total Reimbursements	65,404.52

NET COST TO BRIMFIELD	\$33,274.25
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SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1964

General Expenses	\$4,140.00
Cost of Instruction	53,959.00
Expenses of Operation	
& Maintenance	11,450.00
Auxiliary Expenses	35,763.00
Capital Outlay	825.00
Special Appropriation (N.D.E.A.)	407.00

Grand Total	\$106,544.00
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TANTASQUA

1963 has been a year of changes and improvements. Your committee is deeply grateful for the confidence and cooperation displayed by each of you during this year

Highlights of the year included the completion and dedication of the addition to the building. This made possible the return to single session. After several years of double sessions, this change was most welcome to all concerned. The lecture hall of this fine new structure was dedicated to the memory of our former colleague, Richard R. Lucier.

Also of major importance was the formation of a new Elementary School Union No. 61. Although the Union itself was not the responsibility of the Regional Committee, the committee was vitally interested in its formation. Through the combined efforts of the members of the elementary school committees in our five

regional towns, three old and unrelated unions were dissolved, and Union No. 61, comprising only the five towns in our region, was formed. Because of the fine cooperation between town committees and our regional committee, we now have one Superintendent, Henry A. Pappas, responsible for all our students from grade one through twelve. This voided an unworkable situation where there were four superintendents involved.

Because of the added work load placed on our superintendent by this re-organization, it was necessary that further changes be made if we were to realize the full benefits available from our new administrative program. For this reason, the former position of superintendent-principal was dissolved. It was believed that one man could no longer do the two jobs properly. With Mr. Pappas as our superintendent, it was necessary that a competent, qualified man be found to serve as our principal. After interviewing applicants from the entire New England area, we were most pleased to find the best choice was a member of our own staff. We were indeed happy to announce the appointment of Mr. Roland W. Wilson to this position.

Mr. Wilson's appointment as principal made vacant the position of assistant principal. Once again we were fortunate in having a qualified member of our staff available. Mr. Edward B. Bzdula was chosen for this position.

As a further modification in our administrative re-organization, it was concluded that the superintendent's office should be at a place other than in one of our school buildings. Several available spaces were reviewed. After due consideration, a central location was selected in Sturbridge.

Mr. Arthur Phenner, maintenance superintendent, announced his retirement effective November 1st. The

committee expressed its best wishes for a well-earned rest. Mr. Phenner's retirement made necessary the enlistment of a new man to head our maintenance department. Once again it was necessary to receive and review applications. It was indeed gratifying to note that more than 50 applications from New England and New York were received. After careful consideration the services of a fully qualified plant engineer were secured. Mr. Hawtrey J. Yeames was appointed to this position.

This has also been a year of extensive investigations into various aspects of school management and operation in order to find the most efficient and economical method of running the plant. As a result, changes in purchasing, bid procedures and plant operations were adopted. A survey was made by the Minneapolis Honeywell Co. of our heating plant in the original building. This resulted in a much-needed overhaul of the control system for classroom unit ventilators. A service **contract** was made with this company to overhaul the present control system and put it in good working order. The accounting firm of Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery surveyed our bookkeeping system and made several beneficial recommendations.

Extensive study by your committee in cooperation with the State Vocational Department and with the assistance of Senators Leverett Saltonstall and Edward Kennedy, have made possible the establishment of a vocational program. Formation of this program, will be considered in more detail in 1964.

During 1964 our school will be evaluated by an outside group of educators. We believe we will compare favorably with other schools of our size.

Once again your committee reaffirms its belief that

our most important job is to provide our students with the best possible education commensurate with our ability to finance such a program. We sincerely believe that our school, its administrators, teachers and related personnel are second to none. We will continue to strive to give you, the taxpayer, a full value for every tax dollar expended.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. CIAFFONE, Chairman

GEORGE L. REED, Vice-chairman

OLIVE D. WESTON, Secretary

KATHRYN L. BEALL

ALVIN W. GREENE

CLARENCE H. MARTEL

PETER F. PERNOSKI

THEODORE B. REED

ALBERT R. VENTURINO

ALFRED R. WILLIAMS

ROBERT T. YOUNG

Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee was reorganized with the same officers as the last two years, namely, Merrill Spear, Chairman; Joseph Dmuchovsky, Vice-Chairman; and William D. Spooner, Secretary. The resignation of Mr. Dmuchovsky to become Town Accountant, and of Mr. Spear to become Town Treasurer, necessitated the election of two new members to the committee as well as the election of two new officers, whereupon we elected William B. Cox as Chairman and Denzil Bagster-Collins as Vice-Chairman. It is with regret that we had to accept these resignations, and we especially rue the loss of Mr. Spear, who had done such outstanding work as Chairman for the last few years, and we would express the hope that

if at any future date he should become available, that he would be back on this committee.

Not much was required of our committee early in the year, with the exception of organization and attendance at the regional meeting to keep us abreast of the changing times and any new laws that would effect this group. Deliberations were held to consider the warrant for the Special Town Meeting held in August, and recommendations were made on the Town Hall floor.

We wish to commend the various officers and committees in foreseeing the requirements of their departments so that it was not necessary to make many transfers from the Reserve Fund. Those which were made during the year were:

\$400 to the Chapter 90 Construction Account — made necessary by the State requiring that we employ an engineer.

\$ 65 to the Town Hall Account — made necessary by the failure of the dry well.

\$ 96 to the account for the purchase of a truck for the Highway Department — made necessary by the fact that the amount voted was \$96.00 less than the lowest bid received.

\$ 60 to the Treasurer's Account — made necessary by the changing of treasurers during the fiscal year.

While the committee wishes to compliment the various departments for their care in staying within their budgets, we again want to emphasize that transfers from the Reserve Fund may be made for "extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures" only; therefore, no funds can be transferred simply because accounts have become exhausted.

Whereas most of the departments submitted their requests at a reasonable time, we would again remind those who were late that there is a **LEGAL OBLIGATION TO HAVE THEM IN TEN DAYS BEFORE THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR.**

Several meetings were utilized in studying the 1964 budget, and our recommendations will be found elsewhere in the Town Report. We feel that on the whole, the various departments are trying to keep their expenses at a minimum, commensurate with good government. We would especially commend the Civil Defense Director in submitting a budget which we consider more in line with the duties of that department; also the School Department, who, for the first time in several years are making the School Lunch Program revolving fund do as it was originally intended.

In considering the officers' salaries for the ensuing year, we recommend that they be the same as in 1963.

In considering the item for repairs to the Town Hall, we would bear in mind that not too much has been spent on this building by way of repairs for some time, and we would recommend a progression of repairs to be made over a period of time, limiting ourselves to the installation of oil-fired forced hot air heat for the downstairs and the auditorium, and repairing the chimneys this year. Next year other repairs or improvements could be made, so that, over a period of time, the building would be up in top-notch condition.

We favor increasing the stabilization fund as much as possible, which amount we should have before the town meeting date.

As it is the feeling of the Selectmen that they are not legally the Board of Health ex-officio by virtue of

their office, it is their desire that the Board of Health become an elective office, therefore, we recommend passage of this article

A representative group from the Little Alum section of the town discussed item 24 of the warrant with the committee, and after some consideration, decided that the article should be passed over.

Again we wish to thank the several officers and Boards of the Town for their cooperation in discharging their duties and presenting their requirements for the ensuing year, and again we would caution the voters that **EVERY CENT VOTED AT THE TOWN MEETING WILL MAKE JUST THAT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THEIR OWN TAX BILLS.**

We, of the Finance Committee, consider it has been a privilege to serve you, and may we, and every other officer or committee member both elective and appointive, realize that we should regard our position as one of service, not for any personal prestige, but in a concerted effort for the good of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN of BRIMFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE

WILLIAM B. COX, Chairman

DENZIL BAGSTER-COLLINS, Vice Chairman

WILLIAM D. SPOONER, Secretary

ARNOLD R. BEATON

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

LEO E. LAVIGNE

MARK C. NEWTON

LLEWELYN NORTON

EUGENE I. ROBERTS

Town Warrant - 1964

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, SS:

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday the Second Day of March, 1964, at twelve (12) o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: A Moderator for one year; a Town Clerk for three years; a Town Treasurer for three years; a Tax Collector for three years; three Selectmen for one year; one Assessor for three years; one member of the School Committee for three years; one member of the School Committee for one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for one year; two Library Trustees for three years; one Tree Warden for one year; two Constables for one year; one trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Planning Board for four years; one Trustee of the Lincoln Library Fund for three years; and one Highway Surveyor for one year.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business

of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8 p.m.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation for Town employees.

*Recommended:

Article 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

*Recommended:

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

*Recommended:

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient and public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

***Recommended:**

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.

***Recommended:**

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a By-Law Committee to study and report on the By-Laws and the advisability of creating a permanent By-Law Committee.

***Recommended:**

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to turn back to the Brimfield Public Library money collected in book fines to be used for the purchase of additional books, or take any action in relation thereto.

***Recommended:**

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be expended in the

Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts Chapter 128, Section 42.

*Recommended:

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,400.00, said sum to be expended by the School Building Committee in fulfilling the mandate of Article 21 of March 1963 Annual Town Meeting, namely, "to bring in plans for construction and equipping of an addition to the Elementary School or take any other action relative thereto."

*Recommended:

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to approve an expenditure of \$4,453.95 of funds made available under the provisions of Chapter 782 of the Acts of 1962, for the reconstruction and improvement of Old Palmer Road in an area approximately 200 feet from West Sutcliffe Road.

*Recommended:

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to approve an expenditure of \$2,870.29 of funds made available under the provision of Chapter 782 of the Acts of 1962, for the reconstruction and improvement of Little Alum Road for a distance of approximately 455 feet North of Route 20.

*Recommended:

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$407.00 to enable the School Department to participate in the National Defense Education Act of 1958, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Recommended:

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to pay any outstanding 1963 bills out of surplus revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to approve the expenditure of \$2,500.00 for repairs to the town hall, heating systems or take any other action thereto.

*Recommended:

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of

Dollars to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will fix the compensation of elected officers, provide for a Reserve Fund, and to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing year.

BUDGET FOR 1964

	Appro. 1963	Exp. 1963	Fin. Comm. Rec. 1964
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT --- 3.6%

Moderator	50.00	50.00	50.00
Finance Committee	75.00	10.00	75.00
Selectmen	2,000.00	1,898.28	2,000.00
Town Accountant	1,050.00	961.60	1,500.00

	Appro. 1963	Exp. 1963	Fin. Comm. Rec. 1964
Treasurer	900.00	941.55	1,130.00
Tax Collector	1,320.00	1,319.66	1,320.00
Assessors	1,525.00	1,509.30	1,602.00
Town Clerk	625.00	622.40	600.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Certifying Notes	20.00	2.00	20.00
Planning Board	250.00	0.00	300.00
Election & Registration	455.00	402.70	985.00
Town Hall	2,500.00	2,598.08	2,500.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY — 1.86%

Police	200.00	178.48	300.00
Fire Department	5,022.00	4,817.79	4,615.00
Tree Warden	300.00	124.46	300.00
Moth Suppression	150.00		150.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	115.00	113.57	103.25

HEALTH — SANITATION — .14%

General Health	300.00	129.36	4,000.00
Care of Dump	640.00	266.50	400.00

HIGHWAYS — 9.18%

General	12,000.00	11,588.51	10,000.00
Chapter 81	2,560.00	2,560.00	2,560.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,500.00	6,599.44	2,500.00
Chapter 90 Construction	5,000.00	3,942.49	5,000.00
Street Lighting	1,800.00	1,866.51	1,950.00

CHARITIES & SOLDIER'S BENEFITS — 7.12%

Public Assistance	24,600.00	20,271.55	25,000.00
Veterans Benefits	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Veterans Service District	350.00	343.00	710.50

SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES — 74.84%

School	98,995.00	98,678.77	106,544.00
Trade School, Tuition and Transportation	3,000.00	1,952.84	3,000.00
Tantasqua Regional High School	111,897.07	111,897.07	112,883.20
Library	2,700.00	4,069.09	2,900.00

	Appro. 1963	Exp. 1963	Fin. Comm. Rec. 1964
UNCLASSIFIED — 2.45%			
Common	400.00	344.17	400.00
Property Insurance	1,600.00	1,538.67	1,600.00
Workmen's Comp. Insurance	1,374.54	1,374.51	1,374.54
Town Reports	779.65	779.65	925.00
Memorial Day	280.00	267.48	280.00
Aid to Agriculture	25.00	25.00	50.00
County Retirement	1,757.00	1,757.00	1,104.67
Annuities	150.00	150.00	150.00
Civil Defense	450.00	234.00	260.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00	621.00	1,500.00
CEMETERIES — .55%			
Cemeteries	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,500.00
INTEREST — .26%			
Interest	2,000.00	741.67	2,000.00

***Recommended:**

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to convey to the U.S. Government, in accordance with contract, a small section of LaFlamme Road, within the Brimfield Flood Control project and no longer required for road purposes. This tract is designated as tract H-828 on a plan of East Brimfield Reservoir dated March 30, 1960.

***Recommended:**

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to repeal Section 15 of Article II of the Town By-Laws.

***Recommended:**

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to provide for the election of a Board of Health having three members each elected for a term of three years in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 1.

***Recommended:**

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Law: That the Town of Brimfield shall

retain the two parcels of land taken under Tax Title procedure, and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 2896, Page 269; and Book 2441, Page 476.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this day of February,
1964.

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

ROBERT L. ROY

RICHARD C. ALLEN

Selectmen of Brimfield

Accountant's Report

For The Year Ending December 31, 1963

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes:

Poll 1963	\$ 608.00	
Personal 1963	13,643.70	
Real Estate 1963	132,897.84	
Classified Forest Land 1963	886.90	
Trailer Tax	344.00	
Poll Previous Years	28.00	
Personal Previous Years	648.93	
Real Estate Previous Years	17,431.89	
Classified Forest Land Previous Years	131.67	
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		\$166,620.93

Motor Vehicle Excise:

Levy of 1963	16,455.18	
Previous Years	5,767.41	
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		22,222.59

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1963	210.62	
Previous Years	24.38	
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		235.00

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	12,737.64	
Corporation Tax	8,832.45	

Chapter 70 G.L.	15,304.65	
Meal Tax	523.56	
	<hr/>	37,398.30
Tax Title Redemptions		310.72
Reimbursements — Loss of Taxes		12,110.62
Licenses and Permits:		
Liquor	1,350.00	
All Other	283.00	
	<hr/>	1,633.00
Court Fines		155.00
Grants from Federal Government:		
Old Age Assistance	4,043.23	
Aid to Dependent Children	6,993.43	
Medical Assistance for Aged	4,345.05	
National Defense Education Act	250.87	
School Lunch Program	2,120.57	
	<hr/>	17,753.15
Grants from State:		
Vocational Education	1,344.74	
Transportation	35,896.29	
Aid to Libraries	500.00	
Union Superintendent	933.33	
Highway Chapter 81	23,409.79	
Inspector of Animals	33.00	
Veterans Service District	200.65	
Compensation from State		
Withholding	15.94	
	<hr/>	62,333.74
Grants from County:		
Dog Licenses		472.17
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TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE		\$321,245.22

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Town Hall		\$ 1,652.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$ 36.10	
Services of Dog Officer	408.00	
	<hr/>	444.10
Highway:		
Chapter 90 Maint. — State	2,000.00	
Chapter 90 Maint. — County	3,999.94	
Machinery Fund	10,732.84	
Workmen's Compensation	722.05	
Chapter 90 Const. — State	4,999.22	
Chapter 90 Const. — County	7,499.59	
	<hr/>	29,953.64
Public Welfare:		
Temporary Aid	845.25	
Aid to Dependent Children	6,040.83	
Old Age Assistance	8,612.68	
Medical Assistance for Aged	2,606.29	
	<hr/>	18,105.05
School Lunch Collections		5,901.30
Library Fines		117.44
Care of Cemetery Lots		321.58
General Interest:		
Interest on Taxes	583.10	
Demands	25.35	
Interest on Motor Vehicles	103.44	
	<hr/>	711.89
Interest on Trust Funds		994.86

Unclassified:

Commission on Telephone	57.95
Lien Fee	3.00

60.95

Total Commercial Revenue	\$58,262.81
Municipal Indebtedness	50,000.00

Agency Trust and Investment:

Dog Licenses for County	694.50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	
— New	250.00
East Brimfield Dam Project	4,016.48
Teacher's Annuities	55.02
Federal Withholding	11,088.79
State Withholding	1,138.03
Retirement	1,046.61

18,289.43

Refunds 1,413.55

Cash on Hand January 1, 1963 115,768.93

TOTAL \$564,979.94

PAYMENTS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator \$ 50.00

Selectmen:

Salaries 800.00

Clerk 274.98

Expenses:

Telephone \$ 209.40

Printing, Postage, Stationery 41.03

Dog Officer 322.00

Other 256.37

828.80

Accountant:		
Salary		950.00
Expenses:		
Printing, Postage, Stationery	1.15	
Other	10.45	
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		11.60
Treasurer:		
Salary		549.96
Expenses:		
Printing, Postage, Stationery	231.61	
Surety Bond	147.23	
Other	12.75	
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		391.59
Tax Collector:		
Salary		600.00
Expenses:		
Printing, Postage, Stationery	381.43	
Surety Bond	183.03	
Other	155.20	
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		719.66
Assessors:		
Salaries		900.00
Clerk		300.00
Expenses:		
Printing, Postage, Stationery	112.00	
Travel	151.00	
Other	46.30	
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		309.30
Other Finance Offices and Accounts:		
Certifying Notes		2.00
Finance Committee Dues		10.00
Town Counsel:		100.00

Town Clerk:		
Salary		350.00
Expenses:		
Recording Fees	84.00	
Printing, Postage, Stationery	115.50	
Other	72.90	
	<hr/>	272.40
Election and Registration:		
Registrars	42.01	
Election Officer	96.88	
Printing, Postage, Stationery	77.27	
Street List	166.55	
Other	20.00	
	<hr/>	402.71
Town Hall:		
Janitor	852.00	
Fuel	1,033.60	
Light	134.97	
Janitor Supplies	142.92	
Repairs	330.94	
Insurance	99.00	
Other	4.65	
	<hr/>	2,598.08
Total General Government		<hr/> \$10,421.08

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department:		
Wages	\$ 127.00	
Printing, Postage, Stationery	13.80	
Other	37.68	
	<hr/>	\$178.48

Fire Department:

Payroll	1,314.75	
Chief	200.00	
Rent	780.00	
Heat	45.00	
Subscriptions	6.00	
Apparatus	114.00	
Hose	120.00	
Gas and Oil	97.68	
Parts	468.53	
Fuel	37.70	
Light	10.16	
Repairs	153.74	
Telephone	260.88	
Insurance	1,167.17	
Other	42.18	
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		4,817.79

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary		75.00
Expenses:		
Automobile	20.00	
Printing, Postage, Stationery	18.57	
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		38.57

Tree Warden:

Salary		25.00
Expenses:		
Labor	76.80	
Hired Truck	19.20	
Compensation Insurance	3.46	
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		99.46

Total Protection of Persons and Property	\$5,234.30
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HEALTH AND SANITATION

General Health	\$ 56.00
Inspection of Animals and Slaughter	73.36
Care of Dump	266.50
Dump Contract	669.00
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	\$1,064.86

HIGHWAYS

Highway General:

Bridge Repair:

Wages	\$1,162.97
Hired Equipment	157.75
Workmen's Compensation	52.34
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	\$1,373.06

Snow and Ice Removal:

Wages	5,071.19
Hired Equipment	1,819.27
Trucks	1,313.00
Materials	1,783.79
Workmen's Compensation	228.20
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	10,215.45

Total Highway General	<hr/> \$11,588.51
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Highway

Chapter 81:

Labor	6,192.61
Town Equipment	6,576.50
Sand and Gravel	5,767.39
Hired Equipment	1,207.50
Clerk	265.50
Compensation Insurance	279.43
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	20,288.93

Highway

Chapter 90
Maintenance:

Labor	273.70
Hired Equipment	150.00
Town Equipment	232.00
Materials	5,794.12
Clerk	7.50
Compensation Insurance	12.32

6,469.64

Highway

Chapter 90
New Construction:

Labor	1,070.23
Town Equipment	974.60
Hired Equipment	200.50
Materials	1,597.75
Clerk	51.25
Compensation Insurance	48.16
Hired Surveyor	400.00

4,342.49

Highway

Chapter 90
1962 Construction:

Labor	1,418.56
Town Equipment	1,497.60
Hired Equipment	830.80
Materials	570.58
Compensation Insurance	63.84
Clerk	50.00

4,431.38

Machinery Account:

Labor	1,005.69	
Compenation Insurance	45.26	
Parts and Repairs	3,059.53	
Gas and Oil	2,010.49	
Telephone	163.30	
Rent	1,200.00	
Heat	240.00	
Light	13.75	
Diesel Fuel Tax	30.26	
Legal Notice	19.89	
License Fee	1.00	
Insurance and Registration	495.27	
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		8,284.44

Street Lighting:

Street	1,841.56	
Telephone Booth	24.95	
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		1,866.51

Total Highway \$57,271.90

CHARITIES AND VETERANS BENEFITS

Board Salaries \$ 112.50

Public Welfare:

Groceries and Provisions	\$ 313.21	
Board and Care	84.60	
Medicine & Medical Attendance	1,322.61	
Cash Aid to Individuals	62.80	
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		1,783.22

Aid to Dependent Children:

Cash Aid 14,974.75

Medical Assistance for the Aged:

Cash Aid 8,036.91

Old Age Assistance:		
Cash Aid	8,697.23	
Board and Care	2,643.82	
	<hr/>	11,341.05
Veterans Service District:		343.00
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Total Charities and Veterans' Benefits		\$36,591.43

SCHOOLS

General Administration:		
School Committee Salaries	\$ 300.00	
Superintendent's Salary	2,107.20	
Clerk	1,684.74	
Truant Officer	75.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	27.48	
Telephone	248.45	
Travel	247.42	
School Census	50.00	
All other	500.10	
	<hr/>	\$5,240.39
Teachers' Salaries:		
Regular	43,951.06	
Substitutes	338.00	
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Text Books and Supplies:		
Text and Reference Books	1,372.91	
All Other	1,838.88	
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Transportation:		
High	19,909.92	
Elementary	14,192.28	
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Janitors' Services	5,600.00
Fuel and Light	2,412.29
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds:	
Repairs	1,513.60
Janitors' Supplies	799.79
All Other	307.95
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	2,621.34
Rent — Superintendent's Office	60.92
School Health:	
Physician	187.60
Nurse	853.18
Nurse's Travel	100.00
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	1,140.78
National Defense Education Act	970.46
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Total from School Appropriation	99,649.23
Heating Repair	1,850.00
School Building Committee	214.65
Vocational School:	
Transportation	263.00
Tuition — Worcester	173.08
Tuition — Southbridge	12.00
Tuition — Springfield	1,104.76
Tuition — Holyoke	400.00
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	1,952.84
Tantasqua Regional School District	111,897.07
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Total Schools	\$215,563.79

SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTS

Wages	\$3,116.80	
Food	4,540.42	
Other	576.51	
	<hr/>	\$8,233.73

LIBRARY

Librarian	\$1,200.00	
Assistant Librarians	231.76	
Janitor Services	306.45	
Books	809.29	
Periodicals	207.10	
Binding Books	45.07	
Binding Periodicals	7.10	
Fuel	291.02	
Light	138.29	
Repairs	32.50	
Care of Grounds	50.50	
Janitor's Supplies	38.52	
Stationery and Postage	20.17	
All Other	77.63	
	<hr/>	\$3,455.40

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Common	\$ 344.17
Memorial Day	267.48
Print and Distribute Town Reports	779.65
Assessors Valuation Reports	619.75
Blanket Fire Insurance	1,538.67
Compensation Insurance	1,374.51
County Aid to Agriculture	25.00
Teachers' Annuities	150.00

Unpaid Bills	304.74	
Town Monument, Painting and Repairs	489.10	
Civil Defense	234.00	
County Retirement Assessment	1,757.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,884.07

CEMETERIES

Labor	\$1,091.87	
Loam	10.00	
Equipment	91.95	
Repairs	271.25	
Other	134.93	
	<hr/>	\$1,600.00

INTEREST

Revenue Loan	\$ 741.67
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loan	\$50,000.00	
Highway Reimbursement Loan	36,600.00	
	<hr/>	\$86,600.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

State Audit Tax	\$ 854.99
County Tax	4,497.55
Dog Tax Due County	694.50
Cemetery Perpetual Care — New	200.00
Cemetery Trust Fund — Interest	221.75
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00

East Brimfield Dam Project	4,016.48	
Teachers' Annuities	55.02	
Federal Withholding	10,074.24	
State Withholding	1,115.16	
Retirement	1,036.82	
Library Trust Fund — Interest	483.65	
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		\$28,250.16

REFUNDS

Taxes	\$ 576.23	
Motor Vehicle	739.20	
All Other	885.99	
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		\$ 2,201.42

Total Payments	465,113.81
Cash Balance December 31, 1963	99,866.13
TOTAL	\$564,979.94
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TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
ASSETS			
Cash	\$99,866.13	Temporary Loans:	\$50,000.00
Accounts Receivable		In Anticipation of Revenue 1963	
Taxes:		Payroll Deductions:	
Levy of 1958	\$ 9.12	Federal Taxes	\$1,014.55
Personal Property		State Taxes	286.98
Real Estate	58.14	County Retirement System	9.79
Levy of 1959			
Personal Property	40.00	War Memorial Gift:	1,311.32
Real Estate	158.75		117.04
Levy of 1960		Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest:	50.00
Poll	34.00	Old Age Assistance Recoveries:	4,631.23
Personal Property	79.80		
Real Estate	1,328.30	Federal Grants:	
Levy of 1961		Disability Assistance	189.76
Poll	34.00	Aid to Dependent Children,	
Personal Property	214.20	Adm.	42.05
Real Estate	2,712.11	Aid to Dependent Children	697.95

Levy of 1962				
Poll	62.00			
Personal Property	207.39			
Real Estate	6,069.73			
Levy of 1963				
Poll	100.00			
Personal Property	421.75			
Real Estate	23,492.08			
		35,021.37		3,448.88
Motor Vehicles and Trailer	Excise			
Levy of 1957	45.65			2.62
Levy of 1958	164.94			
Levy of 1959	277.17			510.56
Levy of 1960	1,110.68			
Levy of 1961	1,459.00			2,288.08
Levy of 1962	2,402.86			
Levy of 1963	4,991.03			
		10,451.33		
Farm Animal Excise				
Levy of 1960	16.42			
Levy of 1961	25.63			
Levy of 1963	55.50			
				97.55

Classified Forest Land Taxes:					
Levy of 1960	\$	44.46			50.00
Levy of 1961		19.80			1,950.00
Levy of 1962		24.80			
Levy of 1963		60.55			
			\$ 149.61	Compensation Insurance	573.37
Tax Titles and Possessions:					5,141.81
Tax Titles		3,540.83			
Tax Possessions		1,123.96			62.67
			4,664.79	Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus:	
Departmental:					
General Relief		86.30		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
Aid to Dependent Children		1,425.15		Levy of 1962	2,595.54
Old Age Assistance		518.64		Levy of 1963	2,590.02
					5,185.56
			2,030.09		
Aid to Highways:				Revenue Reserved — Until Collected:	
State		14,143.10		Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	9,711.93
County		2,000.00		Farm Animal Excise	95.67
				Classified Forest Land — Special Tax	149.61
			16,143.10		

Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts: Underestimated 1963:		Tax Title and Possessions	4,664.79
State Recreation and Parks	87.73	Departmental	313.33
County Tax	106.45	Aid to Highways	8,643.10
County Hospital Assessment	16.65		<u>23,578.43</u>
Overdrawn Appropriations: General Government	210.83	Account Balances:	
		Town Dump Const.	81.00
		Chap. 90 Constr. 1962	10,001.55
		Chap. 90 Bridge Constr. 1962	2,000.00
Town Hall	29.08	Chap. 90 Constr. 1963	1,057.51
Highways:		Chap. 91 Stream Clearance 1962	1,000.00
		Purchase of Town Truck 1963	3,096.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	8,142.23	National Defense Education Act	296.99
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,099.44	Civil Defense	302.67
Street Lighting	66.51		<u>17,835.72</u>
Overdrawn Non Appropriations Account: Machinery Account	12,308.18	Surplus Revenue:	
		Current Year	33,681.38
		Prior Years	32,476.01
			<u>66,157.39</u>
			<u>\$182,321.31</u>
			<u>\$182,321.31</u>

Trust and Investment Funds:
Cash and Securities:
In Custody of Treasurer

\$65,698.41

Harriet M. Harding Charity Fund	3,188.89
Harriet M. Allen School Fund	1,070.58
Mary E. Burns School Fund	1,441.43
Library Funds	
Mary K. Hyde	831.50
Ursula J. Shaw	2,489.09
Endocia G. Flynt	103.52
Albert G. Tarbell	200.00
Julia E. Coy	645.04
Elizabeth B. Robinson	411.41
Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00
Emily Allen Woods	500.00
Mary E. Burns	1,000.00
James O. Lincoln	
Library Building	3,937.96

Chamberlain-Smith Historical Fund	11,118.52
Florence S. Pearsall Monument Fence Fund	850.74
Francis Bliss Cemetery Gate Fund	160.42
Cemetery Wall Fund	52.14
Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fund	388.19
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	542.13
Stabilization Fund	*31,331.13
	15,554.24

\$65,698.41

\$65,698.41

*Includes \$50.00 Cash in General Treasury

BUSINESS HOURS OF TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen Board of Health	Town Hall	Every Monday Evening
Tax Collector	Residence	Every Thursday 2-4 7-9
Town Clerk	Residence	Wednesday 1-5 or by appointment
Assessors		By appointment
School Committee	Elementary School	Last Monday 7:30 P.M.
Tantasqua Regional District School Committee	Regional School	Third Wednesday 8:00 P.M.
Board of Public Welfare	Town Hall	Monday-Friday 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Planning Board	Town Hall	Third Wednesday of Feb. Apr. June Aug. Oct. Dec. 8:00 P.M.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire & Ambulance	245-7222	Police (State)	283-5671
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DEPARTMENT NUMBERS

Civil Denfense	245-7253	Elementary School	245-3326
Police (Town)	245-7253	Welfare Dept.	245-9957
Highway Dept.	245-7223		
School Superintendent		Area Code 617	347-3077
Tantasqua Regional High School		Area Code 617	347-3618

The Town Officers'
Annual Report
to the
Town of BRIMFIELD

BRIMFIELD
PUBLIC
LIBRARY



Including Receipts and Expenditures
for the
Year Ending December 31. 1964

Annual Report

BRIMFIELD

Massachusetts

1964

FOREWORD

This Annual Report for 1964 presents to all the Citizens of Brimfield a summary of events and activities of the Town Government, in brief, readable form.

It is always the privilege of each resident or businessman to contact individual departments for further details, or additional information.

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the

Second Congressional District

Seventh Councillor District

Hampden-Worcester Senatorial District

First Hampden Representative District

U. S. Senators are

EDWARD T. KENNEDY, Boston

LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, Dover

Congressman, 2nd District is

EDWARD P. BOLAND, Springfield

State Senator is

PHILIP A. QUINN, Spencer

Representative to General Court is

ALEXANDER LOLAS, Monson

County Commissioners are

WILLIAM F. STAPLETON, Holyoke

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN, Springfield

RALPH P. WALSH, Longmeadow

Democratic Town Committee

EDWARD KILLIAN, Chairman

EDWARD SHEERAN, Secretary, Treasurer

Republican Town Committee

GEORGE B. ADAMS, Chairman

SHIRLEY NICHOLS, Secretary-Treasurer

TOWN OFFICERS — 1964

Town Clerk

JULIANE L. SPOONER Term expires 1967

Moderator

TIMOTHY J. DENNING Term expires 1965

Treasurer

CLARENCE H. KEITH Term expires 1967

Tax Collector

RUBY E. SMITH Term expires 1967

Selectmen

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA Term expires 1965

RICHARD C. ALLEN Term expires 1965

FRANK B. HALEY Term expires 1965

Assessors

ANDREW W. GONDEK Term expires 1967

EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1966

JOHN M. HALEY Term expires 1965

Highway Surveyor

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR. Term expires 1965

School Committee

OLIVE D. WESTON Term expires 1967

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT Term expires 1966

LESTER DUTKA Term expires 1965

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

THEODORE B. REED (resigned) Term expires 1966

ROGER W. BENNETT appointed to 3-1-65

Board of Public Welfare

TIMOTHY J. DENNING Term expires 1967

ROBERT STUART (deceased) Term expires 1966

HOMER L. PARKER appointed to 3-1-65

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH Term expires 1965

Cemetery Commission

CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1967
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1966
JAMES A. ADAMS	Term expires 1965

Library Trustees

VIOLET G. LOUX	Term expires 1967
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1967
BERTHA OSTERHELD	Term expires 1966
ROBERT E. BRUCE	Term expires 1966
LESTER W. PARKER	Term expires 1965
ETHEL E. SPOONER	Term expires 1965

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE	Term expires 1965
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Constables

ROBERT J. CUTLER	Term expires 1965
ERVIN KETTLES	Term expires 1965
ARTHUR J. MOREAU	Term expires 1965
ERNEST L. MANN	Term expires 1965
JOHN H. STANTON	Term expires 1965

Trustees — Harriet Harding Fund

EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1967
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH	Term expires 1966
FENTON A. HASTINGS	Term expires 1965

Planning Board

PERRY WESTON	Term expires 1969
JOHN A. HAYWARD	Term expires 1968
HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1967
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1966
JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1965

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1967
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1966
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1965

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS

1964

Town Accountant

JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY Term expires 1966

Chief, Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

SUMNER D. BARR Term expires 1965

Inspector of Animals

GEORGE W. TETREAULT Term expires 1965

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH Term expires 1965

Moth Superintendent

EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1965

Agent, Board of Health

DR. JOHN RIGATTI Term expires 1965

MARYLOU ANTONOVITCH, R.N. Term expires 1965

Veteran's Agent

THOMAS J. FAULKNER Term expires 1965

Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE Term expires 1965

Dog Officer

ARTHUR J. MOREAU Term expires 1965

Field Drivers

GEORGE TETREAULT Term expires 1965

LYMAN STANTON Term expires 1965

NEIL STALKER Term expires 1965

Fence Viewers

JOHN CHAMPARTES Term expires 1965

FRANKLIN SMITH Term expires 1965

NEIL STALKER Town expires 1965

Town Counsel

GEORGE B. ADAMS Term expires 1965

Finance Committee

MERRILL SPEAR Term expires 1967

ARNOLD BEATON	Term expires 1967
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WILLIAM SPOONER	Term expires 1967
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LLEWELLYN B. NORTON Term expires 1966

WILLIAM COX (resigned)	Term expires 1966
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W. SCOTT GERRISH appointed to 3-1-65

EUGENE ROBERTS	Term expires 1966
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LEO E. LAVIGNE Term expires 1965

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1965
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MARK NEWTON (resigned)	Term expires 1965
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ARTHUR E. KENYON appointed to 3-1-65

Jury List

JOHN PRESCOTT	Term expires 1967
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ARTHUR E. BROWN Term expires 1967

GEORGE B. SHERMAN Term expires 1967

EMILY BAGSTER-COLLINS	Term expires 1966
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EMILY SPEAR	Term expires 1966
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NORRY L. DEMETRIUS Term expires 1966

WILLIAM F. GALLAGHER	Term expires 1965
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STANLEY KARCMARCZYK Term expires 1965

THOMAS S. MAGRATH Term expires 1965

Registrars

PRISCILLA WIGHTMAN (moved) Term expires 1967

SHIRLEY NICHOLS to fill unexpired term

MARGARET V. McINTYRE Term expires 1966

MARGARET GILMAN Term expires 1965

Civil Defense Director

C. KENNETH SILVIUS	Term expires 1965
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Planning Board — Board of Appeals

CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1967
FRANCIS L. HENDERSON	Term expires 1966
LESTER H. SHELDON	Term expires 1965

Associate Members

D. WALKER CHENEY	Term expires 1966
STANLEY VAILL	Term expires 1965

School Building Committee

GERALD GUILD (resigned)	Term expires 1965
VERNON HEIPLER appointed to fill unexpired term	
HOMER L. PARKER	Term expires 1965
RICHARD C. ALLEN	Term expires 1965
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT	Term expires 1965
WILLIAM COX	Term expires 1965

Memorial Day Committee

PERCY N. MOORE	Term expires 1965
ALBERT GENDREAU	Term expires 1965
MARGARET GILMAN	Term expires 1965
STEPHEN McNAMARA	Term expires 1965
JAMES HATCH	Term expires 1965
FLORENCE GENDREAU	Term expires 1965

By-Law Committee

ROGER BENNETT	Term expires 1965
EDWARD KILLIAN	Term expires 1965
HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1965

Caretaker at Dump

PHILIP T. BROWN (resigned)	
	ALEXANDER McVEIGH

Gas Inspector

RICHARD SOULIERE (resigned)	
	WILLIAM COX (resigned)

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

105	Resident Fishing
77	Resident Hunting
61	Resident Sporting
36	Minor Fishing
28	Female Fishing
10	Special Non-Resident Fishing
7	Non-Resident Fishing
4	Non-Resident Hunting
9	Duplicate Licenses
18	Resident Sporting (Free)
9	Archery stamps

DOGS LICENSED

150	Male @ \$2.00	\$300.00
32	Female @ \$5.00	160.00
58	Spayed Female @ \$2.00	116.00
15	Kennel @ \$10.00	150.00
3	Kennel @ \$25.00	75.00
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		\$801.00
Less Clerk's Fees		
258	@ 25c	64.50
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Balance Paid to Treasurer		736.50

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog **three months old** or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
1963		
December		
27	Bruce Reed Pierce, Jr.	Bruce R. and Gloria A. MacGowan
30	Cassandra Elliot Spear	Douglas and Nancy Nicholson
1964		
January		
6	Robert Dwayne Demetrius	Richard E. and Maureen E. Ruddy
9	James Martin MacConnell	Robert J. and Barbara E. Nichols
14	Gina Marie Baldina	Richard W. and Diane L. Grabowski
17	James Robert Correa	Joseph F. and Carolyn M. Woodman
February		
15	Michael Douglas Burton	Roland D. and Marjorie E. Fuller
March		
3	Debra Joy Shugart	Herbert J. and Lorraine R. Picard
12	Paula Jean Frain	John D. and Arlene B. Desilets
21	Russell Thomas Prentiss	Frederick T. and Dian E. Sprague
31	Ricky Walter Poirier	Real J., Sr. and Alice M. Jarosz
May		
13	Randall Scott Weston	Donald F. and Sheila G. Goss
14	John Carlton Wood, Jr.	John C. and Deanna J. Jordan
25	Robin May Stanton	Lyman B. and Pauline A. McAlman
June		
6	Scott Norris Demetrius	Norris U. and Irene C. Morin
12	Carol Louise Dionne	Robert G. and Jeannette T. Desautels
18	William Thomas Haney	James W. and Edith G. Allen
27	Tammy Lynne Whitney	Milton A. and Lorraine T. Levesque
July		
4	Genenne Jackson	Joseph and Geneva Wood
11	William Leonard Tracy III	William L. Jr. and Theresa M. Fournier
12	Walter Shepard Gerrish	Willis S. and Dorothy L. Hendry
23	James Scott Samar	James G. and Elizabeth Tripp

Date	Name	Parents
August		
9	Dawn Maureen Demetrius	Alan T. and Janice E. Fischer
11	Frederick Charles A. Lapierre	Frederick W. and Shirley A. Clark
September		
2	James Eric Stanton	Ralph I. and Nancy A. Coolbroth
5	Martin David Allen	John T. and Geraldine A. M. Grise
11	Therese Marie Devine	Walter C. and Joan M. Blette
16	Charlene Ann Moran	Bernard J. and Margaret E. Farr
19	Glenn Sherwood Sherman	Charles W. and Grace A. DelGreco
October		
1	Kimberly Ann Waite	Walter F. and Elsie M. Boone
6	Patricia Lee Hicks	Richard N. and Shirley E. Ouellette
8	Carlos Henry Straight V	Carlos H. IV and Jane R. Smaitt
22	Richard Leo VanWagner	Earl J. and Teresa A. Ryan
30	— — — Burrell	Kenneth and Inez VanDerlick
November		
2	Karl Michael Keith	Donald J. and Eleanor M. Tripp
7	James Victor Howlett	Kenneth N. and Dorothy J. Fountain
10	Carol Marie Dickinson	Frank C. Jr., and Louise M. Houghton
28	Cynthia Mary Smith	Franklin A. and Ruth A. Hawkes

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
1964				
January				
16	Charles E. Wilson	86	1	23
17	Ila M. E. Hoyt	79	0	18
22	Janet (Carey) Parker	81	6	8
February				
7	Grace E. (Dockham) Landen	85	5	1
26	Robert Mitchell Stuart	58	1	16
27	Lucy Alice (Hoe) Price	84	10	13
March				
30	Ellen (Cunningham) Moran	81	—	—
30	Cynthia (Nelson) Wilson	84	6	2

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
April				
16	Harley Howard Landen	64	4	6
19	Henry C. H. Dunwoody	78	9	14
June				
15	Armand George Stanton	21	1	24
18	George Turner (Letourneau)	95	—	—
21	Rose (Quattrone) Ortona	73	—	—
22	Eugenia (Prescott) Tarbell	72	—	—
23	Sophia (Kenyon) Wing	63	9	29
29	Anna (Farber) Schiehser	82	—	—
July				
8	Nancy Myranne Spooner	17	5	3
11	Edith Smith	37	5	27
19	Roy L. Watts	53	3	20
August				
12	Paul F. Fitzgerald	68	7	19
19	Julia Amanda Dunham	84	8	26
29	Carleton Hamlin Beals	52	2	15
September				
9	Orville E. Trask	82	8	28
October				
2	Philip Yanne	5	0	29
November				
20	Elizabeth Marie Hoar	—	9	8
27	Joseph Cannon	66	9	25
December				
10	Marion Ross (Paine) Moore	93	3	16
16	George Roth	79	6	3
26	Lena Walker Cheney	88	4	0
28	Margaret (Forgette) Douglas	60	11	19
29	Mabel E. (Blake) Bourque or Burke	81	—	—

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
1964				
January				
4	Cheney L. Lawrence		Patricia J. Orlowski	Monson
		Brimfield		

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
February				
1	James I. Beatty, Jr.	Brimfield	Donna L. Perry	Wales
25	George R. Bernier	Brimfield	Patricia A. Austin	Brimfield
April				
4	Gary A. Staiti	Brimfield	Barbara G. Hall	Ware
11	Armand H. Dimo	Warren	Dorothy A. Mundell	Brimfield
18	Alan T. Demetrius	Brimfield	Janice E. Fischer	Ware
May				
2	Dan L. Macumber	Brimfield	Nora E. Lulli	Sturbridge
9	James H. Monette	Brimfield	Linda Petrullo	Fitchburg
June				
20	Paul J. Raymond	Auburn	Barbara A. Deering	Brimfield
July				
4	Roland Arbour	Springfield	Grace E. S. Thompson	Brimfield
August				
1	Richard E. Caldbeck	Brimfield	Linda M. Crafts	Chicopee Falls
8	William F. Whitten, Jr.	Brimfield	Sally Ann Manley	Monson
29	Phillip G. Sullivan	Brimfield	Margaret R. Isham	Monson
September				
19	John P. Solomon	Brimfield	Jeanne R. LePage	Southbridge
October				
10	David H. Puduski	Brimfield	Mary A. Nichols	Southbridge
10	Bruce O. Waite	Brimfield	Bette J. Archambault	Wales
November				
14	Richard Austin	Brimfield	Cherolyn R. Safford	Agawam
December				
12	Charles R. Pierce	Brimfield	Loretta T. Puduski	Brimfield
26	Russell L. Lucier	Brimfield	Lea L. LaBerge	Brimfield
26	Marcel H. Meunier	Monson	Brenda M. Marotto	Monson

Brief resume of Action taken at Annual Town Meeting
March 2, 1964.

Article 1. Elected town officers.

Article 2. Voted to accept reports of officers as printed.

Article 3. Voted \$670.64 from Compensation Insurance Fund and \$421.13 by taxation to purchase compensation insurance.

Article 4. Voted to turn Dog Fund over to Library.

Article 5. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of revenue.

Article 6. Voted to authorize Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of reimbursements.

Article 7. Voted to authorize Selectmen to sell tax-title property at auction.

Article 8. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of public highways.

Article 9. Voted that the Selectmen appoint a 3-member committee to study the by-laws.

Article 10. Voted to pass over the article dealing with the return of book fines to the library.

Article 11. Voted \$50.00 for Hampden County Aid to Agriculture.

Article 12. Voted to transfer \$4568.44 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 13. Voted that the present school building committee be retained to bring in plans for construction and equipping of an addition to the Elementary School; that \$3400 be appropriated for this purpose of which \$2288.08 be transferred from the School Building Fund and \$1111.-92 be raised by taxation, and that the mandate of the people be carried out if the money in the School Building Fund is available.

(Note: State would not permit use of the \$2288.08 for this purpose.)

Article 14. Voted \$4,453.95 of Chapter 782 Funds for reconstruction of Old Palmer Road.

Article 15. Voted \$2872.09 of Chapter 782 funds for reconstruction of Little Alum Rd.

Article 16. Voted \$407.00 for participation in National Defense Education Act of 1958.

Article 17. Voted \$587.59 to pay outstanding 1963 bills.

Article 18. Voted \$2500 for Town Hall Heating System and Chimneys.

Article 19. Motion defeated to increase Stabilization Fund.

Article 20. Voted to accept the budget as recorded in the Town report, except that Library be increased to \$3000 and \$8302.23 from Old Age Assistance Recovery be applied to Public Assistance Account.

Article 21. Voted to convey a small section of La-Flamme Rd. in the East Brimfield Flood Control project to the U.S. Government in accordance with contract.

Article 22. Voted to repeal Section 15 of Article II of the Town By-Laws dealing with motions being submitted in writing.

Article 23. Voted to provide for the election of a Board of Health; 3 members, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and for three years each thereafter, one annually.

Article 24. Voted to pass over this article, dealing with the town owning some land in the Little Alum Lake area.

Above is an abstract only.

JULIANE L. SPOONER
Town Clerk

Brief resume of action taken at special town meeting 12/28/64.

Article 1. Voted to pay \$506. to various persons for services rendered at the scene of a truck accident, from a fund in this amount provided by the Safeway Trucking Company.

Article 2. Voted to transfer \$10,538.71 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 3. Voted \$2900.00 from the Machinery Account for the purchase of a used 1960 Mack truck model P42, cab and chassis.

Article 4. Voted \$2850 from available funds for the purchase of a "Shunk" sander body and spreader.

Article 5. Voted \$1500 from available funds for the General Highways account.

Article 6. Voted \$558.85 from available funds for the Town Hall Account.

Article 7. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell or trade the present sand truck and body.

Above is an abstract only.

JULIANE L. SPOONER
Town Clerk

Repeal of Section 15 of Article II of the Town By-Laws with reference to submission of motions in writing has been approved by the Attorney General, and said section is accordingly stricken from the By-Laws.

JULIANE L. SPOONER
Town Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TOWN BY-LAWS

The Committee created at the last annual Town Meeting to review the desirability of establishing a permanent By-Law Committee feels that on a long range basis, such a permanent Committee would perhaps be helpful to the Town. If such a Committee is created, we suggest that it be appointed annually; one member to be appointed by the Moderator, one member by the Selectmen, and the third member to be chosen by the two appointed members.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger W. Bennett

Harold E. Hitchcock

Edward J. Killian

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1964

Commitments as per warrant		\$179,973.64
Abatements refunded		327.60
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		180,301.24
Cash to Treasurer	\$153,387.61	
To Tax Title	1,079.28	
Abatements	5,744.78	
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	160,211.67	160,211.67
Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$20,089.57

1963

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$24,390.33
Abatement refunded		3.50
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		24,393.83
Cash to Treasurer	\$16,134.15	
To Tax Title	495.31	
Abatement	3.50	
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	16,632.96	16,632.96
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$7,760.87

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$6,273.78
Cash to Treasurer	\$3,418.73	
To Tax Title	523.54	
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	3,942.27	3,942.27
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$2,331.51

1961

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1964		2,767.43
Cash to Treasurer	\$1,782.71	
To Tax Title	524.78	
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	2,307.49	2,307.49

Outstanding December 31, 1964		<hr/> \$ 459.94
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1960

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$1,423.17
Cash to Treasurer	\$686.40	
To Tax Title	515.28	
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	1,201.68	1,201.68

Outstanding December 31, 1964		<hr/> \$ 221.49
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1959

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 247.00
To Tax Title	\$37.50	37.50

Outstanding December 31, 1964		<hr/> \$ 209.50
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1958

Outstanding January 1, 1964		<hr/> \$ 67.26
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		<hr/> \$ 67.26
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CLASSIFIED FOREST LAND

1964

Commitments as per warrant		\$1,092.96
Cash to Treasurer	\$1,042.14	
To Tax Title	7.92	
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	1,050.06	1,050.06

Outstanding December 31, 1964		<hr/> \$ 42.90
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1963

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 119.35
Cash to Treasurer	\$60.35	
To Tax Title	7.70	
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	68.05	68.05
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 51.30

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 38.44
Cash to Treasurer	\$17.05	
To Tax Title	6.82	
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	23.87	23.87
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 14.57

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 19.80
To Tax Title	\$19.80	19.80
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		0.00

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 67.26
To Tax Title	\$25.08	25.08
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 42.18

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Commitments as per warrant	\$32,654.58
Abatements refunded	653.90
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	33,308.48

Cash to Treasurer	\$25,378.16	
Abatements	2,260.85	
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	27,639.01	27,639.01
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		5,669.47
	1963	
Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$11,762.47
Commitment in 1964		2,366.83
Abatements refunded		591.28
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		14,720.58
Cash to Treasurer	\$10,382.24	
Abatements	746.60	
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	11,128.84	11,128.84
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		3,591.74
	1962	
Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$2,402.66
Cash to Treasurer	\$507.38	507.38
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$1,895.28
	1961	
Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$1,455.92
Cash to Treasurer	\$55.28	55.28
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$1,400.64
	1960	
Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$1,110.68
Cash to Treasurer	\$36.64	36.64
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$1,074.04

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 277.17
Cash to Treasurer	\$78.73	78.73
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 198.44

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 164.95
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 164.95

1957

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 45.65
Cash to Treasurer	\$30.66	30.66
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 14.99

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE

1964

Commitments as per warrant		\$ 243.01
Cash to Treasurer	\$214.88	214.88
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$ 28.13

1963

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 55.50
Cash to Treasurer	\$24.00	24.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		\$31.50

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 25.63
Cash to Treasurer	\$25.63	25.63
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		0.00

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1964		\$ 16.42
Cash to Treasurer	\$16.42	16.42
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Outstanding December 31, 1964		0.00

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY SMITH

1964 Report
of the
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture
and the
Hampden County Improvement League
BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Primary emphasis in all agricultural projects during the past year has been the improvement in the management capabilities of interested farmers in the Hampden County area. Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers through meetings, circular letters and individual farm visits throughout the year.

Requests for specific information available from agents at all times.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 75 boys and girls enrolled in 28 different projects offered. 15 local leaders assisted the county agents and state specialists in conducting the projects. The leaders incurred expenses totalling \$27.92.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 33 women attended 8 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 15 local leaders assisted by the county agents and state extension specialists. There

were 10 different projects offered. The leaders incurred expenses totalling \$47.04.

The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of Brimfield.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1964 Appropriation	\$ 50.00
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1963 Unexpended Balance	35.82
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Total Available for 1964	85.82
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Total Expenditure in 1964	74.96
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Total Available for 1965	10.86
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Recommended Appropriation for 1965	100.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

By ALBERT H. FULLER, Clerk

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

During 1964, the Brimfield Public Library has offered to the community any service for which a member of the community has had need, or has requested.

The largest project on the local level has been the inventory of all adult books which will be fully completed by mid-1965. This has had as its purpose not only the clearance of records and opening up of shelf space for new, but the increasing of availability of many real treasures and the preservation of special materials of historical importance. A goodly number of books from the library of General Fitz-Henry Warren (the nucleus of the present collection purchased by dog tax), a few books from the District School libraries, and from the early purchases have been found. It has been a real experience for the Librarian, who was made aware of the fund of local history material at hand.

A total of 435 new books (240 for adults and young adults, 195 for boys and girls) have been cataloged, while many others — gifts, detective stories, condensed books — have been made available without cataloging. Paper backs have been purchased to meet the required reading of Tantasqua young adults. Acquisition of the most recent edition of the World Book Encyclopedia has permitted volumes from two superseded sets to be borrowed for home use.

Gifts to the Library have included service books and periodicals. Several children and adults have given volunteer help, varying from making book marks to filing cards and working on inventory. Sally Prescott, a Fifth Grader has received her award for 40 hours work in 1964.

An old account book for the years 1830-1859 of Mr. Albon Janes, an early carriage maker in Brimfield, was a most welcome gift. We hope someone will find two earlier ones which are mentioned which would make a most unusual piece of source material.

There could be no more lasting tribute to a member of a family or to a friend than the placing of a book or books in the Library where everyone can use them. Eleven periodicals given regularly by borrowers are most appreciated by both general readers and students. One friend of the Library gives her detective club books

Worthwhile worn books are being re-bound as money is available, while most new books are being covered with plastic covers, adding to the length of life of the book, as well as to the attractiveness of the shelves. If shelving and lighting were adequate, the book collection could soon be termed excellent in content, appearance and availability.

Widely expanded service and a much greater book collection have been made possible as the scope of the Central Massachusetts Library has widened in all directions. Inter-library loans requested by letter or telephone are mailed often within 24 hours. Instead of one small building full of books, your Librarian now has at her finger tips the resources of Fitchburg and Worcester libraries, and most of the smaller libraries of the area. We are not always able to take full advantage of this service, as we lack adequate usable space for housing more books. However, 264 books were borrowed, mostly from Worcester and Fitchburg, 119 of which answered specific requests, the others being used in rotating book collections.

A library planning expert from the Worcester headquarters drew up plans for renovation of the Library, making comfortable, usable reading and shelf space available, while preserving the charm and warmth of our really beautiful building.

Conferences arranged by the Regional Headquarters have been attended by your Librarian whenever possible.

In 1964 the services of Brimfield Library have increased in scope. A total of 4388 persons used the Library, 1900 adults and young adults, and 2488 boys and girls. They used 8808 books and periodicals. Since

the Elementary classroom collections from the Library Extension Service, Boston, are now sent directly to the schools, the Public Library now loans to schools only small groups of books, usually to fill some specific request. 196 titles were loaned thus in 1964. They were used by the children 845 times, making a total of 10,453 books circulated directly in or through the Library.

In January, 1964, 420 books were sent from Boston to the Elementary School. In August, Mr. Bush and Mrs. Streeter went to the Division of Library Extension and selected 553 books for the Fall semester use. All these, a total of 973 books were processed and made into classroom and school library collection by the Librarian. Through this cooperation between school and Library the books from Boston fulfilled the avowed library and school policy that boys and girls must have easy access to library books. All this has strengthened the already close ties between the two institutions.

All Elementary classes have visited the Library each semester for browsing, stories and taking out books.

In December, 1964, the classes made Christmas decorations for the Library. They made posters, window transparencies, pictures, mobiles peep-show, poems and stories. These, with a large display of Christmas books gave to the Library what well may have been its gayest and most colorful Christmas. Visitors, families and parents expressed their pleasure and appreciation in the transformation the boys' and girls' decorations had made. The Library wishes to thank everyone who helped to make the Library beautiful.

We would like to thank the Garden Club, too, for their Christmas wreath for the front door. To other donors we would express the Library's appreciation of their gifts.

The Librarian is most grateful to the Library Trustees for the cooperation and patience, their help and forbearance during the past year.

The Library is open:

Wednesday 2:00 - 5:30 P.M. 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Thursday 1:30 - 5:30 P.M.

Saturday 2:00 - 5:30 P.M. 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

You are especially invited to make this your Library by visiting and using it in 1965.

Respectfully Submitted,

(Mrs.) MARY ELEANOR STREETER

Librarian

REPORT OF THE LINCOLN-DANIELSON LIBRARY FUND TRUSTEES

During the year 1964, the Trustees spent \$111.69 from accrued interest on this fund for emergency repairs to the septic tank and leach field system at the Library. The fund increased from \$3,937.96 at the beginning of the year to \$4,020.07 at the end of the year.

ROGER W. BENNETT

EVERETT D. LANDEN

CHENEY NEWTON, TRUSTEES

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

As Art Supervisor of three Towns of Union No. 61, I submit my report for Brimfield.

Children freely and enjoyably express themselves through many of the media of art. This freedom and joy in creating and working can often be guided and led so that some of the children will continue in fields related to art, and a few will continue in the profession itself.

I hope I have contributed to any of these ends, with help and cooperation from the teachers, to foster in any individual or group project, the interest, desire and knowledge in this part of their school training.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAUL R. DOWGIERT

Supervisor of Art

BRIMFIELD — BROOKFIELD — WALES

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC Brimfield - Brookfield - Wales

Music is an art — a taking and giving of the essence of man in his inner striving. Its role in the Elementary School need hardly be defended as to purposefulness and relevancy. Its goal should be essentially the arousing, fostering and broadening of the child's curiosity and interest in music through a program geared to strike at the essence of the soul's sensitivity, whereby the child will come to recognize the beauty of thought and expression in songs from our American heritage and in the Classics.

It is my aim to transmit an understanding and appreciation of the aforesaid points in my music program. If the cooperation and industriousness of teachers and pupils helping me prepare the Elementary classes for participation in the Christmas program at Tantasqua is any indication, I am confident that we shall make great strides in achieving our goal.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAULINE M. CLOUTIER

Supervisor of Music at

Brookfield, Brimfield, Wales.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Raised by taxation	\$301,581.11
Appropriated from available funds	31,536.52
Overlay Deficits of Previous Years	86.80
State Parks and Reservations	1,038.02
Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,745.96
County Tax	5,125.10
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	145.65
Overlay of Current Year	9,000.00
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Gross Amount to be Raised	\$350,259.16
Available Funds and Estimated Receipts	170,414.32
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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$179,844.84
TAX RATE — \$36.00 per M	
Personal Property Valuation	\$ 406,110.00
Real Estate Valuation	4,589,580.00
Total Valuation	\$4,995,690.00
Classified Forest Land Tax	1,092.96
Farm Animal Excise	243.01
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	35,021.41

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
JOHN M. HALEY
ANDREW W. GONDEK
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Today's big news is the all-out fight on Poverty that devourer of an estimated 18 billion dollars per year in Public Welfare alone. 18 billion dollars out of tax funds is an amount we can ill afford, yet in a long run, costs in public welfare are relative. There are unlimited funds for road repairs, snow removal — all for the motorist who feels that anyone behind a wheel deserves the very best. Yet the till is dry for retardates, mental health, and the hue and cry over public welfare costs is heard throughout the width and breadth of the state.

“Since the beginning of time, some categories of people have been dependent on others. The young and the old, the lame, the halt, the blind, the mentally deficient and the deranged, the sick — have seldom been able to provide for themselves.” This quote was taken from a speech given by Neal DeNood, Ph.D. Professor of Sociology, Smith College, on June 1964. This dependency has evolved through the ages to the point where Federal, State and local communities have had to join forces to meet the needs of these people. This not only to meet the basic needs, but to recognize a person's need for self respect. This is the first step towards the rehabilitation of any man.

There has been much talk in the past year of medical care for our senior citizen. Proposals appear daily in our newspapers, of programs sponsored by one group after another. Most residents don't realize it, but Massachusetts already has one of the most liberal plans in the United States for paying the medical expenses of its senior citizens. The fact, remains, however, that it is a welfare plan restricted to oldsters who can meet a means test, and it is paid out of general tax receipts.

The plan was approved by the legislature in 1960 to take advantage of the Federal Kerr-Mills law. This act authorizes the federal government to reimburse the state for half the cost of administering any medical care

for the aged programs which comply with the broad provisions of the federal law. Under the program all medical care is provided free for every citizen over 65 provided he or she can swear under penalty of perjury that his assets total no more than \$2,000.00 if unmarried, or \$3,000.00 if married. The remainder is paid on a 2/3 and 1/3 ratio by State and local funds. This is by far the most liberal and far-reaching legislation passed yet.

We aided an average of 7.6 cases per month on OAA, 6.8 cases on MAA, 6.5 cases on AFDC, 1 case on DA, and 8 cases on General Relief during the year. An average of 45 persons per month were aided by this department, exclusive of temporary General Relief. Altho our departmental costs have risen, our case-load remains static. This is a healthy sign for this community.

I wish to thank those persons, organizations, Ginny's Dairy Bar, Hodes, in Spencer, and especially the Salvation Army Service unit for their most generous contributions this Christmas. We reached many families this year, and I hope, brought joy and some light to an otherwise bleak holiday.

ALBERT R. DUPSHA, Director
 ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH,
 Chairman
 HOMER PARKER, Clerk
 TIMOTHY DENNING

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

My appointment as Civil Defense Director was made by the Selectmen March 1964 for the ensuing year.

Four Radiological Monitoring Kits were received during 1964 and placed in four monitoring stations located so as to adequately cover all parts of Brimfield. Two trained personnel are at each station.

We are hopeful that the Army Corps of Engineers will resurvey Brimfield and approve one of the buildings, without any expense to the town as a fall-out shelter.

The Fire Department and the Civil Defense purchased two citizen band "walkie-talkies" for emergency use.

Your Civil Defense Director wishes to thank all C. D. personnel and Citizens of Brimfield for their cooperation during this year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. KENNETH SILVIUS

Director of Civil Defense

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

To Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Brimfield Mass

Gentlemen;

I Alfred Wigglesworth do hereby submit my report as Sealer of Weights & Measures for the year ending Dec. 31st 1964.

Gasolene Pumps	28
Platform Scales	1
Computing Scales	1
Beam Scales	1
Spring Scales	3
Counter Scales	1
Mail Scales	3
Avoirdupois Weights	6
Oil Trucks	3

Respectfully Submitted,

Alfred Wigglesworth

Sealer of Weights & Measures

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen:—

During the year, I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 21 dogs, sold 1 dog. Disposd of 20 dogs, 1 dog was hit on highway. I have investigated 5 complaints 2 dogs had bitten people, 2 dogs chasing cars and 1 dog molesting cats.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arthur J. Moreau

Dog Officer

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Brimfield was indeed fortunate in 1964 in that we had no serious fires, while most of the New England towns had numerous woodland fires, due in part to the extremely dry spring, summer and fall.

I am grateful to the townspeople for their excellent co-operation in obtaining permits for open air fires and I would hope that this practice will continue in the future.

During the past year Ken Silvius has tested our siren every Saturday at 12:00 noon and when it proved to be faulty he repaired it on his own time and without cost to the town, an outstanding example of a good citizen interested in the welfare of his town.

After many years of service to the fire department Mr. and Mrs. George B. Adams are enjoying a well earned rest, their service will indeed be missed.

Department activities for 1964:

Fires reported by the Tower	9
Dump fires	6
Chimney fires	2
Grass fires	3
Automobile fires	3
Summer camp & garage	1
Woodland fires	4
Assistance to other towns	3
Over-heated stove	1

Respectfully submitted,

SUMNER D. BARR
Fire Chief

AMBULANCE SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1964

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year as follows:

The Department had calls from 24 local residents, including accidents. There were 20 out-of-town calls from Wales and Holland with a total of 44 calls and 856 miles of driving during the year.

The Ambulance Service has had a busy year, and has proved its worth during the day as well as at night. In outlying areas having no resident physician, such as Brimfield, Wales and Holland, the Ambulance provides very necessary medical security.

The Fire Department staged an Annual Supper in January, Firemens' Dance in April, Easter Special in April and Lawn Party in August from which all proceeds received were used to help defray the expenses of the Ambulance Service. These projects are very necessary since the Ambulance is not self-supporting.

Residents are transported free of charge to the Palmer, Southbridge, Stafford Springs and Ware Hospitals and only a nominal charge is made for transportation to other institutions involving a greater driving distance.

The members of the Department who hold a certificate for the Advanced First Aid Course were very helpful during the past year. They also took a refresher course, under the very able direction of Mrs. Violet G. Loux, R.N., to whom the Department wishes to express appreciation for her time and efforts so willingly given. Gratitude is also expressed for all the help rendered by the nurses and drivers, and by everyone who made this year a success.

The Department wishes to express their sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. George B. Adams, Jr. for their valuable services rendered during the past 14 years in answering all the fire and ambulance calls, day and night, while they were at the Woodbine.

At this point I would like to stress that whenever in need of Ambulance Service please dial CHurchill 5-7222.

Hoping for everyone's consideration during the coming year,

Respectfully Submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE, Sec.

Brimfield Volunteer Fire Department

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Town Memorial Day Committee appreciates the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliary for participating in the Memorial Day Parade.

We wish to thank the town speaker, Rev. Henry I. Bailey and the Elementary School for furnishing the program. We also wish to thank the Tantasqua Regional High School Band for furnishing the music.

Respectfully Submitted,

Percy Moore

Stephen McNamara

Margaret Gilman

Albert Gendreau

James C. Hatch

Florence Gendreau

BOARD OF HEALTH

During the past year several successful clinics for polio, diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough inoculations were held under the able direction of Mrs. Mary Lou Antonovich, R.N., Public Health Nurse for Brimfield, Holland and Wales. During April, in Brimfield, 486 doses of trivalent polio serum were administered and during June, 490. In October an Immunization clinic was held, at which 210 doses were given. X-rays for tuberculosis were also given, over 400 residents availing themselves of this service.

A caretaker has been appointed for the dump, which has been open Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Periodic bulldozing has kept the driveway free of refuse. This system has proved very satisfactory. Snow fence was installed to keep papers from blowing about, and the entire effort has resulted in a much neater and cleaner dump. The townspeople have cooperated very well, and we hope that we may continue to have their cooperation.

During the Fall the reservoir went dry. A professional consultant was employed, who recommended excavation in back of the reservoir, and the installation of a filter bed of washed stone, with a grating, which corrected the situation. We have an ample supply of water, and the lack of it was not due to the dry spell. A new gate and fence were also installed, to replace the one which had been torn down.

We appreciate the cooperation of all those who avail themselves of our Public Health services, and especially the work performed by Mrs. Antonovich and those who assisted her. We, in turn, will be pleased to cooperate with the newly elected Board of Health in any way possible.

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA
RICHARD C. ALLEN
FRANK B. HALEY
Board of Health

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR'S REPORT

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance resurfacing was done on the Brookfield Road and Holland Road according to the plans given by the state engineer.

Under Chapter 81 a new piece of road was rebuilt on the St. Claire Road. Drainage work, resurfacing, graveling, scraping, and brush cutting were done according to the plans prescribed.

Under Chapter 782-Project I-widened the curve on the Old Palmer Road. Project II straightened the curve on Little Alum Road near 7th Street.

Under General Highways new planks and new stringers were put in the bridge on Dearth Hill Road. New planks were put on the bridge leading to Mrs. Catherine Brown's place. It has been difficult to keep the roads sanded as they should have been because our old sand truck would not pass inspection. Now that we have our new sander, we will make every effort to serve the town well. As in the past, please notify me if you have any problems.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Highway Surveyor and Highway Superintendent

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE 1964

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 74.26
Ervin Kettles	41.91
David Kettles	6.60
Dan Macumber	11.38
Workman's Compensation Ins.	6.04
Machinery Fund	51.40
Harold Hitchcock (sand)	61.10
Harold Hitchcock (truck)	90.00
John J. Hudson, Inc.	350.70
Palmer Bituminous	5,885.62
A. J. Paladino Co.	920.00
Total	<hr/> \$7,499.01

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

Maintenance 1963

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 18.00
Ervin Kettles	14.00
Dan Macumber	14.00
Elizabeth Wells, Clerk	10.00
Workman's Compensation Ins.	2.07
Machinery Fund	73.20
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Total	\$ 131.27

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 90

Construction 1962 (Bridge)

Kenneth Sherman	\$ 75.80
Worcester Telegram & Gazette	13.20
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Total	\$ 89.00

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 81

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 2,151.03
Stanley Adams	39.60
Phillip Jackson	355.25
Frank Dickinson, Jr.	14.00
Vaughn Heipler	699.14
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	567.61
John Gregory	71.78
Leo Lavigne	342.77
Ervin Kettles	1,278.55
David Kettles	139.43
Bruce Waite	160.05
Dan Macumber	117.25
Elizabeth Wells, clerk	307.50
Workman's Compensation Ins.	267.13
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Labor Total	\$ 6,511.09
	\$ 6,511.09

John J. Hudson, Inc.	3,825.98	
N. E. Metal Culvert	761.61	
Palmer Bituminous	714.60	
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	693.75	
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Material Total	\$ 5,995.94	5,995.94
Machinery Fund	5,804.43	
Harold Hitchcock (bulldozer)	360.00	
Harold Hitchcock (sander)	832.00	
Poirier Bros. (backhoe)	531.00	
Darwin Clark (mower)	125.00	
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Equipment Total	\$ 7,652.43	7,652.43
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		\$20,159.46

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER CHAPTER 782
PROJECT I (Old Palmer Rd.)

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 434.82
Phillip Jackson	105.00
Bruce Waite	115.50
Leo Lavigne	19.80
Ervin Kettles	41.20
Dan Macumber	28.00
Elizabeth Wells, clerk	27.50
Workman's Compensation Ins.	33.49
Machinery Fund	710.40
Harold Hitchcock (equip.)	808.00
Poirier Bros. (equip.)	1,456.40
Poirier Bros. (supplies)	274.00
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	120.00
Bernard Samek	30.00
John J. Hudson, Inc.	249.83
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Total	\$ 4,453.94

PROJECT II (Little Alum)

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 240.75
Phillip Jackson	3.50
Ervin Kettles	143.95
Vaughn Heipler	150.50
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	141.90
George Boutwell	17.33
Elizabeth Wells, clerk	15.00
Workman's Compensation Ins.	31.74
Machinery Fund	701.30
Harold Hitchcock (equip.)	807.00
Poirier Bros. (equip.)	118.40
Poirier Bros (supplies)	70.00
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	64.00
John J. Hudson, Inc.	357.88
Dan Macumber	7.00
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Total	\$ 2,870.25

AMOUNTS EXPENDED UNDER GENERAL
HIGHWAYS

	Snow	
Daniel H. Wells, Jr.		\$ 1,495.70
Stanley Adams		605.13
Leonard Poirier		331.00
Real Poirier		70.00
Gayle Stevens		85.80
Richard Boucher		23.10
Frank Dickinson, Jr.		152.00
Walter J. Burnham		59.00
Phillip Jackson		336.89
Kenneth Howlett		46.00
Robert Hanna		56.00
Ervin Kettles		268.63
Dan Macumber		338.63
Martin Lathe		4.50
James Haney		10.50
Dick Crooke		10.50

David Cheney	10.50
Leo Lavigne	29.75
Workman's Compensation Ins.	177.03
Machinery Fund	4,681.03
International Salt Co.	574.71
Louis Gagliardi	5.25
Poirier Bros. (truck)	424.50
Harold Hitchcock (truck)	659.50
Cheney Orchards (chain saw)	12.00

Total Snow	\$ 10,467.65
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Bridge

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 328.50
Phillip Jackson	38.50
Walter J. Burnham	24.00
Leo Lavigne	13.20
Ervin Kettles	122.80
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	100.65
Vaughn Heipler	106.75
Dan Macumber	70.00
Workman's Compensation Ins.	36.20
Machinery Fund	125.50

Total Bridge	\$ 966.10
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Snow	\$10,467.65
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Bridge	966.10
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Total	\$11,433.75
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AMOUNTS UNDER MACHINERY FUND

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 668.27
Stanley Adams	53.63
Walter J. Burnham	128.00
Phillip Jackson	200.39
Bruce Waite	19.80
Leo Lavigne	13.20
Ervin Kettles	190.93
David Kettles	13.20
Vaughn Heipler	14.00
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	13.20
Dan Macumber	149.63
Workman's Compensation Ins.	65.86
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Labor Total	\$ 1,530.51
Norrie's Gulf Service	\$ 587.53
D. B. Cotton, Inc.	34.52
Massachusetts Electric Co.	15.00
Gilman's Service Station	145.23
Graves Equipment, Inc.	10.60
Lawrence F. Hastings	4.00
William D. Spooner	481.31
Dick's Radiator Shop	1.00
Donel Supply Company	74.58
Tyler Equipment Corporation	861.90
Texaco, Inc.	217.77
Haley's Grain Store	250.00
National Glass Works	78.78
Lubrication and Filter Supply	4.68
Palmer Auto Parts	18.37
Ferrara Springs and Parts Co.	103.41
Howlett Lumber Company	19.13
United Petroleum, Inc.	1,533.08
Steel Industries Corporation	751.98
Gulf Oil Corporation	467.43
Mobil Oil Company	631.46
Southbridge Tire Company Inc.	989.90
Darwin Clark	13.02

Brimfield Oil Company	754.93
New England Telephone and Tel.	154.60
Bousquet's Auto Parts, Inc.	57.90
Perkins Machinery Co., Inc.	17.00
Tri-County Contractors Supply	264.84
G. K. Schmidt Company	28.71
All States Freight Company	6.29
Goldstein and Gurwitz	5.50
Valley Motor Sales	3.11
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Materials Total	\$ 8,587.56
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Machinery Fund Total	\$10,118.07

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

To the Citizens of Brimfield

Total expenditures for 1964 amounted to \$1574.30. Of this amount, \$708.50 was for grave openings and foundation work which was refunded and paid to the Town Treasurer, leaving a balance actually expended for general maintenance of \$865.80. It will be remembered that the past summer was unusually dry resulting in much less mowing and clipping being required.

The heavy mowing equipment will either have to be thoroughly overhauled or replaced. To meet either requirement and to allow for normal maintenance an appropriation of \$2000.00 is requested.

The Women's Business Club of Brimfield has generously offered to contribute a minimum of \$2200.00 toward the cost of extending the present wall, and we strongly urge the acceptance of this bequest.

Respectfully Submitted,

CHENEY F. NEWTON

JAMES A. ADAMS

EVERETT D. LANDEN

Commissioners

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Brimfield Planning Board hereby submits its report, for the year ending December 31, 1964.

Several plans for subdivision were submitted to the Board. Two of the plans did not require approval under the Subdivision Control Law. The plan for the Willow Run Development," submitted by Rogart Builders of Southbridge, was approved. "Willow Run" is to be located on the Westerly side of the Brookfield Road, and will consist of twelve homes.

The Planning Board has expended a great deal of time and effort in order to present a Zoning By-Law to the town, for action at the 1965 Annual Town Meeting. The By-Law was drafted under the guidance and with the assistance of the Planning Division of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce.

Respectfully Submitted.

Perry Weston, Chairman

Harold E. Hitchcock

James C. Hatch

Ernest G. Roberts

John A. Hayward

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Since my appointment as Moth Superintendent, the work of creosoting moth clusters has been completed.

An area, extending from a point slightly West of Steerage Rock; thence in a Southerly direction across Prospect Hill Road thence Northeasterly across the Warren Road to the Tower Hill Road; thence North on Tower Hill Road; thence West, crossing the Warren Road to point of beginning, containing an estimated 500 acres, is badly infested with Gypsy Moth, and it is my recommendation that this area be sprayed at the proper time. I believe that with this area sprayed in 1965 that this pest can be controlled.

Respectfully Submitted,
Edward J. Killian
Moth Superintendent

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
of the
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1964

Member	Term Expires
MRS. PERRY WESTON, Chairman and Representative to Tantasqua Committee	1967
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Secretary	1966
LESTER E. DUTKA	1965

Superintendent of Schools

HENRY A. PAPPAS

Office Hours

8:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

When School is in Session

Telephone 1-617-347-3077 Office

1-617-347-9075 Residence

Principal of Elementary School

ARTHUR H. BUSH

Office Hours

8:30 a.m. — 3:45 p.m.

Telephone 5-3326 School

1-617-943-0782 Residence, Dudley, Mass.

School Physician

JOHN L. RIGATTI, M. D.

Telephone 1-617-347-3634

School Nurse

MARY LOU ANTONOVITCH

Supervisor of Attendance

EDWARD E. SHEERAN

Hours of School Session

Elementary

8:45 a.m. — 3:15 p.m.

No School Signal

Information will be BROADCAST over stations
WARE and WESO between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

Entrance Age of Pupils

Six years of age on or before the first of January
following the opening of School in September.

School Committee Meetings — Last Monday of each
month throughout year — at the School — 7:30 p.m.

1965-1966 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 8 through December 23 — Fall Term	71 days
Holidays	
October 12 — Columbus Day	
October 18 — Teachers' Workshop	
November 5 — Teachers' Convention	
November 11 — Veteran's Day	
November 25 & 26 — Thanksgiving	
December 23 through January 2	
January 3 through February 18 — Winter Term	35 days
February 21 through February 25 — Winter Recess	
February 28 through April 15 — Spring Term	34 days
Holidays	
March 14 — Teachers' Workshop	
April 8 — Good Friday	
April 18 through April 22 — Spring Recess	
April 25 through June 22 (Tentative Closing)	42 days
Holiday May 30 — Memorial Day	
Total	182 days

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Our regular summer maintenance program was carried out. This called for painting three classrooms and all the lavatories, with all other repairs made where necessary.

Several new bookcases and cabinets were made and installed. The ceilings and floors were repaired, and the complete lighting system was overhauled, all to make a clean, safe and an attractive school.

A large oil tank was installed, enabling the school to purchase oil in large quantities at a considerable saving.

I wish to thank Mr. Pappas and all school personnel for their cooperation and help in my responsibilities as custodian.

Respectfully Submitted,
EDWARD SHEERAN
Custodian

TANTASQUA REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR 1964-1965

School Opens	Recess	School Closes
September 8, 1964	November 26 & 27, 1964	Teachers'
September 9, 1964	December 24, 1964	Pre-school
November 30, 1964	February 22, 1965	Workshop
January 4, 1965	April 19, 1965	Thanksgiving
March 1, 1965	June 24, 1965 (Pupils)	Christmas
April 26, 1965		Winter
		Spring

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

October 19, 1964 — Teachers' Fall Workshop
 November 6, 1964 — Worcester County Teachers' Convention
 November 11, 1964 — Veterans' Day
 March 15, 1965 — Teachers' Spring Workshop
 April 16, 1965 — Good Friday

SCHOOL HOURS

Grades 7-12 — 7:45 a.m. to 2:02 p.m.

NO SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Tantasqua Regional High School, by the decision of the Tantasqua School Committee, will be open on all regular school days, regardless of the weather, unless some emergency develops at the school itself, or when the superintendent announces that there will be no school.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and the high school by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high school is made by the superintendent of schools.

Official announcements concerning the operation of buses to the regional high school will be made over the radio station WESO, WARE & WTAG by six-thirty if possible.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The year 1964 has brought to a close the first year of a Union-Regional coterminus union wherein the five towns of the Region and Union are one and under the supervision of a single Superintendent of Schools. The objective for this arrangement was to have, first, a less cumbersome operation, and, second, the possibility of realizing financial savings. The first item has been accomplished. Item two has shown definite savings in the area of transportation, fuel for heating, the price of bread in our lunchrooms, and certain areas of school supplies. It is the feeling of the Superintendent that, while improvements in financial operations have been made, there is still room for improvement through greater efficiency of operation and more power purchasing.

In the area of building in the Union the Sturbridge and Holland additions were completed and the Wales Elementary School at this writing is completed and in use with the exception of the multi-purpose room. On the Regional level the Vocational Shop area was completed and set in operation in September of 1964.

Accomplishments in the academic year 1964 listed below show no mean improvement in the program. On the elementary level a new kindergarten was established in Holland, and it is hoped that kindergartens will be established in other elementary schools when the time and the space are available. A class in Special Education was set in operation in Sturbridge for children within the Union. The class presently has 16 children, 8 from Sturbridge, 5 from Brimfield, and 3 from Brookfield. This program has been sorely needed in the area and is proving to be quite successful, thanks to the competence of the teacher, Mr. Leon Kakitis, and the cooperation of the staff.

Modern Math has been instituted in all elementary schools of the Union, and teachers were given instruction in the teaching of Modern Math in a course offered by

the school system. The Language Arts program is being coordinated, as is reading, spelling and Social Studies. I would like in the near future to see a good guidance program on the elementary level. The testing program has been coordinated for all schools, and, where necessary, guidance personnel from the high school has been called upon for special testing.

At the Regional High School level the major accomplishment of the year was the institution of a Vocational Education program for the young people of the area. Fortunately for Tantasqua, the calibre of the teaching staff in the Vocational Education Department has been responsible for amazing results in the accomplishments of these young men in a comparatively short period of time. The program is not only proving a factor in our low drop-out rate, but is also providing a solid background in a trade which will be beneficial to the students and the communities in which they will live as productive citizens. The Vocational program presently offers instruction as listed in a report from that Department.

The academic program at Tantasqua, constantly under view and review for possible improvement, is proving itself effective and successful. The class of '64 received some \$72,000, in scholarships and placed young men and women in colleges, such as Tufts, Vassar, Boston University, Mount Holyoke, Clark University, University of Massachusetts, Brigham Young, University of Connecticut and others. In the results of the National Merit Scholarship examination the class of '64 had one semi-finalist and four letters of commendation.

The faculty has completed a revised English program this year, and the Science Department has completed the Science course of study for students at Tantasqua. Revisions are being made in Social Studies and Mathematics to benefit students.

Added to the staff for the 1964-65 school year were: Mr. Vernon Bruneau, Mrs. Zabelle D'Amico, Mr. James

Keaveny, Miss Doris Knechtel, Mr. Raymond Lawlor, Mrs. Susan Leisner, Mr. Paul McCarthy, Mr. Robert Pasqualetti, Miss Jean Perkins, Mr. Irwin Reed, Mr. Eliot Rich, Mr. Robert Scobie, Mrs. Lucille Thimblin, and Mr. Edward Witowski. Miss Elizabeth Tite has returned to the staff after a year's leave of absence. These new staff members have added much in terms of knowledge, modern methods and materials, and vitality to the staff. The appearance of a heightened morale and cohesiveness of objectives among faculty members has added greatly to the program at Tantasqua and is greatly appreciated by this office.

To all faculty and School Committee members, my sincere thanks for a successful year and a brighter outlook in the picture of educational development.

Respectfully Submitted,

Superintendent of Schools
HENRY A. PAPPAS

REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Henry A. Pappas

Superintendent of Schools, Union No. 61

Sturbridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Pappas:

I herewith submit my second annual report as principal of the Brimfield Elementary School.

The course of instruction has gained in many areas during the school year, as we have seen the initiation of a "Modern Math" program at each grade level and a phonics program for Grade I. Both courses are in the early stages of development but as of this writing a good deal of progress can be noted.

New pupil progress cards and a unified cumulative record system is now officially being used.

Grades V and VI journeyed to the Museum of Science in Boston last winter. The visit manifested a spirit of enlightenment as many of the exhibits reinforced their own science program.

The sixth grade class trip last May took them to the World's Fair. The behavior of the children on this trip and at the Fair was excellent. They are to be commended for it. Many thanks also to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Barr, and Mrs. Weston who accompanied us on the trip.

The Mothers' Club has done another fine service this past year. With their drive and interest it was possible for the school to purchase a goodly number of children's phonograph records for the classes. They also gave each room money for class trips and refreshments for holiday parties.

Over one hundred books were purchased for our school library this past year. It is our hope that we can add to our collection each year and in the process develop a good library.

Mrs. Streeter has done an outstanding job for our school in assisting us with our library loans from the Dept. of Education in Boston and loaning many other books from the Brimfield Public Library.

Good behavior on school buses is extremely important. We have initiated a "Patrol Boy" program for the buses and hope to increase the safety on these buses.

The new art supervisor and music supervisor have been doing an excellent job in the Elementary School. The work that the pupils do is certainly very encouraging.

Mrs. Howlett, manager of the Cafeteria, reports that the operation of the hot lunch program was successful although more pupils could take advantage of these meals.

I would like to thank the school committee for their advice and cooperation during the school year; the parents for their interest; and you Mr. Pappas for your guidance and positive outlook in school matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arthur H. Bush, Principal

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

During 1964, a year that saw many perplexing problems, your School Committee continued to work diligently at the task of keeping cost at a minimum and education at a maximum. We believe that both goals have been accomplished throughout the year.

As is true of any businesslike organization, there are times when everyone will not be wholly satisfied, and when decisions must be made realistically rather than emotionally. It is the well-being of our youngsters and the efficient operation of the school that we must consider first in any situation. This is our obligation as elected officers of the Town.

While we opposed, for instance, the new State-imposed minimum salary for teachers, we were not opposed to giving our staff the raises they so richly deserved. On this point, we urge all citizens to join with us in opposition to similar State action in the future. Speak out to your State Legislators. Our teachers themselves do not want any greater burden placed on the Town without State assistance.

We appreciate the prompt action of the Board of Selectmen in the matter of water supply during the critical period last fall. That action saved the Town much money as the School Committee would otherwise have been forced to provide a new, and no doubt very costly, source of supply.

The organization of School Union No. 61 has progressed to a point where the anticipated benefits are becoming reality. This is reflected in the 1965 Budget for Elementary Education. Without participation in the Union structure we would have had to present the Town with a Budget of much higher proportion. It would be impossible to outline in detail the many ways in which this participation has aided Brimfield.

In conclusion, we thank Supt. Pappas, his staff, our School Staff, and all those persons who have helped to

maintain and improve the Elementary School. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation of those interested citizens who have come forward with problems and with assistance in resolving those problems.

Respectfully Submitted,

Olive D. Weston, Chairman

Lester E. Dutka

Johnstone Prescott, Sec'y

REMEDIAL READING

	Total Class	Moved	Reached Grade Level
January '64 to June '64	40	3	8
September '64 to January '65	27	0	0

It is a fact that some children do read or could learn to read before they enter school. These children have exceptionally good memories, the ability to concentrate, curiosity, persistence, and self-reliance. Many of these qualities can be developed at home by the parents by game-playing, reading stories and rhymes, answering a child's questions, and encouraging a responsible attitude toward set tasks geared to the child's age level. Children prepared mentally, emotionally, and physically to enter first grade are ready to read.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen E. Sweeney

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

This Committee regrets that it must report no real progress for the year 1964. There are two basic reasons for this failure.

1. The Vote on Article 13 of March 1964 Town Meeting precluded any further negotiations with the Architect.
2. Without preliminary plans filed in the School Building Assistance Commission, (Mr. Simeon P. Domas, Commissioner) the State authority will take no further action.

The Brimfield Board of Selectmen agreed on July 20, 1964 to call for a Special Town Meeting to see if the Town would vote a sum of money for preliminary plans. Such a Town Meeting was to have been by petition filed with the board by this committee. No petition was circulated due to the resignation of the committee chairman and subsequent delay to fill the vacancy. The committee has since found it best to deactivate pending a regular Town Meeting in 1965.

There remains a real and growing need for expanded facilities at the Elementary School. That need becomes more urgent with each passing month. Further delay is going to increase the cost of action when action is taken be it next year or the year after or indeed any year in the future. The work accomplished to date by this committee need not be wasted. If the Town responds to the need now we will still have time to act before we reach an impossible situation. WE ARE rapidly outgrowing our capacity to house and educate our youngsters in our present plant.

This committee therefore respectfully requests the Town to support the two articles of the 1965 Town Meeting pertaining to this issue and supported by the School Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Cox

Richard Allen

Homer Parker

Vernon Heipler

Johnstone Prescott, Recorder

SCHOOL NURSES REPORT

The prime responsibility for the health and well-being of a child lies with the parents. Certain examinations, such as eyes and ears are required by State Law each year. These are part of the duties of your school nurse. Parents of children who do not pass these examinations are notified by mail. It is then their responsibility to see that the child is examined by a competent physician. There are, however, local and state organizations who will give financial aid, if requested.

State law also requires that all children entering school must be vaccinated and have physical examinations. Children in fourth grade are required to have physical examinations also. Since your family doctor has a comprehensive knowledge of your child, it is, of course, preferable that he do this examination, and forms may be requested from school for him to report his findings. However, any child not examined by his family doctor, must be seen and examined by our school physician, Dr. John Rigatti.

Each year, in May, it will be standard procedure to have a pre-school clinic. This is specifically for children who have registered to enter school in the fall. Physicals will be offered, vaccinations and triple toxoid injections also. This is done in order that all children entering school in the fall may have maximum immunity and any physical problems will be known. All of these things are important in the total evaluation of a child and his school performance.

It has become a school policy that any child who is absent for five consecutive school days, or because of a communicable disease (these include impetigo and ringworm) must be seen by the school nurse before returning to school. This protects not only your child, but those children with whom he comes in contact.

I am at the Brimfield School on Wednesdays, Wales on Tuesdays, and Holland School on Thursdays. I will,

however, see any child who is ready to return to school, in my home on days I am not at school or during the evening.

It has been a pleasure working at the Brimfield School this past year, and I would like to thank Mr. Bush, the teachers and the School Committee for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted,

MARY LOU ANTONOVITCH, R. N.

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS

As of October 1, 1964

	5 years of age or over and under 7	7 yrs. or over under 16	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
TOTAL IN TOWN			
Boys	29	175	
Girls	12	137	1
	—	—	—
TOTAL	41	312	1
In public school	40	296	
In continuation school			
In vocational school			
In private school	1	15	
In state and county schools and special classes for de- fectives and delinquents			
Not enrolled in any school		1	1
	—	—	—
TOTAL	41	312	1

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT 1964

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Total
37	37	34	36	35	29	208

— BRIMFIELD TOWN REPORT

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1964

General Appropriation \$106,544.00

Administration:

School Committee	441.39
Superintendent's Salary	1,484.24
Clerical Salaries	1,526.51
Office Expense	179.56

Instruction:

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1964

	Name	Training	Yrs. of Service	Total Yrs. Brimfield Service
ADMINISTRATION				
Superintendent	Henry A. Pappas, B.A., Ed.M., Boston University		1	15
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL				
Principal & Grade VI	Arthur Bush, B.S., Boston College, Ed.M. Bridgewater State College		1	6
Grade I	Jeannette Robichaud, B.S., Worcester State College		0	0
Grade I	Brenda Meunier, B.S., Springfield College		1	2
Grade II	Florence Gendreau, Gorham State Normal School		11	15
Grade II	Mary Moore, Westfield State College		2	2
Grade III	Mary McDonald, Westfield State College		2	17
Grade IV	Susan Smith, B.A., Univ. of Connecticut		1	1
Grade V	Harold Piligian, B.S., North Adams State College		1	1
Helping Teacher	Helen Sweeney, B.S., Springfield College		10	20
Art	Paul Dowgiert, Clark University		0	2
Music	Pauline Cloutier, B.M., Anna Maria College		0	0
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			

Principal's Salary	6,484.56	
Principal's Expense	35.06	
Teachers Salaries	42,274.86	
Special Education	787.27	
Supplies and Materials	1,831.73	
Personnel Training	155.00	
Textbooks	1,553.52	
Library	256.39	
Audio Visual	103.45	
Other School Services:		
Attendance	75.00	
Health	971.96	
Transportation	33,196.40	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant:		
Custodial Services	8,066.56	
Heating	2,048.37	
Utilities — Supt. Office	119.22	
Repairs	2,098.21	
Fixed Charges:		
Rent and Insurance, Supt. Office	216.88	
Acquisition of Fixed Assets:		
New Equipment	896.71	
Total Expenditures		104,802.85
Balance Unexpended		\$1,741.15
REIMBURSEMENT FROM STATE		
General School Fund	27,681.86	
Superintendent's Salary	1,234.24	
Transportation	30,419.20	
State Wards, Transportation and Tuition	4,733.57	
Special Education	734.00	
Total Reimbursement from State	64,802.87	
Total Expenditures		104,802.85
Total Reimbursement from State		64,802.87
		\$39,999.98

Net Cost to Brimfield

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1965

Administration	\$ 4,741.36	
Instruction	58,190.30	
Other School Services	33,901.00	
Operation of Plant	11,020.98	
Fixed Charges	242.76	
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	798.78	
Grand Total		\$108,895.18

REPORT OF THE TANTASQUA REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The year 1964 saw the Tantasqua Regional School District move ahead once again toward its goals in the development of effective educational programs for the children in this region. The highlight of these advances in 1964 was the opening of the new Vocational High School.

We now have a fine staff, and an exceptionally well-equipped Vocational High School. Equipment for instruction of students in Machine Tooling, Welding, Metalworking, Carpentry, and Mechanical Drafting has been purchased and installed. Henry A. Pappas was named Director of the new school, and John R. Russo was appointed assistant to the Director. We urge all citizens of this Region to make a special effort to visit the school in 1965.

The State considers the Regional Vocational Program an educational experiment. Normally, the state regulations require approximately 250 students as the minimum for an effective vocational program. Therefore, unless this requirement is met, the state will not participate in its support. However, in view of the need for a program of this type in the Region serviced by Tantasqua, an exception was made for our area. We can consider this a fortunate exception because the new state-supported Vocational High School will be of substantial benefit to many area students.

An important committee decision during 1964 was the revision of salary policy for instructors at Tantasqua. This revision was necessary to conform with state legislation, which established a minimum salary of \$5,000 annually for teachers. This legislation will become effective on September 1, 1965, as will the Tantasqua salary revision.

This necessary revision to conform with state legislation, plus the normal increments established by this committee, will cost the Region \$9,666 in 1965 and \$29,000 in 1966. This is over and above normal operating budgets. This committee would be remiss in its duties if these facts were not pointed out in the annual report. Although we accept the fact that the state has an obligation to legislate, we also believe that the state should provide assistance in acquiring the funds necessary to fulfill legislative obligations. It is the responsibility of every citizen to make his or her feelings concerning this legislation known to elected officials in the State Capital.

During 1964, this committee inaugurated a new program known as "Tuesday at Tantasqua." This program was introduced to provide adult citizens with the opportunity to hear informed and authoritative views on topics of current interest. The program is held on various Tuesday nights, and consists of a series of lectures by experts in their fields. The lectures are open to the public, at no charge.

Lectures delivered under the program in 1964 included a talk on "The Theory of Communism" given by Dr. Joseph Zimmerman, Professor of Government at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. This was in February. In April, Trooper Robert Dateo of the Holden Barracks of the Massachusetts State Police, lectured on the services of the State Police in his talk entitled "Dedicated to You." In June, Dr. Clifford Mawdsley of Manchester, England, presented a very informative lecture on "National Health Service in Great Britain."

Our Summer School Program was held again in 1964, the enrollment was 168 students. This program is entirely self-supporting, and has shown an increase in attendance each year it has been held. Many students from outside the Region are taking advantage of the Summer School program.

During the coming year, our school will be evaluated by a group of educators. We welcome and look forward to this evaluation as we are confident that Tantasqua will compare most favorably with comparably-sized schools in the state.

The Tantasqua Regional District School Committee is dedicated to the task of providing our students with the best possible educational programs, commensurate with the Region's financial ability. Our school, with its administrative staff, teachers, and other personnel is a fine institution. Our efforts, with your assistance, will enable even further advancement of educational programs for your children. We shall continue to do work toward this end, and provide you the taxpayer, with full value for each dollar expended.

TANTASQUA REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

George L. Reed, Chairman — Brookfield

Alvin W. Greene Sturbridge

Vice Chairman

Olive D. Weston (Mrs.)

Secretary Brimfield

Kathryn L. Beall (Mrs.)

Brookfield

John R. Weaver Sturbridge

Clarence H. Martel

Sturbridge

Jules H. Slepian Wales

Roger W. Bennett

Brimfield

Albert R. Venturino

Sturbridge

Alfred R. Williams

Holland

John G. Docwra

Brookfield

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF TANTASQUA REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND THE CITIZENS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

I hereby submit my annual report covering the operation of the district high school for the year 1964.

During the past year, our staff has been preparing for our evaluation by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This evaluation is required once in ten years of each member school for purposes of accreditation. As a result, our staff has been refining and revising our curriculum in all areas. Our departments have been performing a close self-evaluation of themselves with the assistance of members of other departments within the school. The **Evaluative Criteria**, 1960 edition, has been used to prepare for evaluation by providing a guide for consideration of all departments.

CURRICULUM

Staff members in the English Department have been attending English meetings at the University of Massachusetts on Saturday mornings to discuss curriculum problems of the secondary school English teacher and new programs of study that could be implemented.

Many staff members have attended advanced placement seminars and meetings in anticipation of the presentation of Advanced Placement courses to our honor students in mathematics, English, science and language.

ENROLLMENT

Our enrollment as of October 1, 1964 was 1061 students. This enrollment figure represents an increase of 106 students over the October 1 figure of 1963. It also

represents an increase of 61 students over the anticipated enrollment figure of 1000 quoted in the 1963 Annual Report.

We expect an enrollment in the year 1965-1966 of approximately 1081 students. The following table indicates that 137 seniors will graduate and 186 students will enter the seventh grade. This gives us a possible increase of 49 students. Dropouts and people leaving the area should reduce this to approximately 20 students. This indicates a net enrollment of approximately 1081.

Grades	Brim.	Brook.	Hol.	Stur.	Wales	Tuition	Total
P. G.	1						1
12	27	28	8	61	11	2	137
11	20	46	12	73	12	6	169
10	31	35	13	68	19	6	172
9	33	50	11	84	13	11	202
8	33	29	20	74	23		179
7	32	61	15	73	20		201
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub Total	177	249	79	433	98	25	1,061
6	29	44	22	75	16		186
5	35	51	16	75	17		194
4	36	28	16	74	23		177
3	34	56	17	63	20		190
2	37	50	22	69	21		199
1	37	57	23	84	20		221
K			28				28
Special Ed				16			16
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub Total	208	286	144	456	117		1,211
Grand Total	385	535	223	889	215	25	2,272

All departments show significant improvement in curriculum building, supervision, and teacher evaluation. Many of these improvements are noted in the reports of the individual departments which will appear in a separate publication.

CONCLUSION

As a result of our extensive program, graduates of Tantasqua Regional High School are enjoying success at some of the better colleges in the country. Our business curriculum graduates are welcomed by most insurance or industrial offices, and our new vocational program should provide trained personnel for local industry. We hope to continue this comprehensive program and provide even more opportunity and challenge for each student who enters and graduates from our high school.

Respectfully submitted,
ROLAND W. WILSON
Principal

REPORT OF THE TANTASQUA REGIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

The new Vocational School opened on September 9th, 1964 to prepare High School students in this region for profitable employment at the time of their graduation. Students graduate from High School every year. Many of them go on to college, others, for various reasons, need to enter the working world. To train these boys in one of the Trades is the prime purpose of our Vocational School.

COURSES

At our Vocational School four courses are offered:

- Machine Shop
- Metal Fabrication & Welding
- Carpentry & Millwork
- Machine Drafting

These courses extend over four years. The student, when he graduates, will receive a High School Diploma and a Vocational Certificate in his Trade.

The classes operate on an alternate week basis. A student spends one week in Shop and a second week in the Classroom, where his time is equally divided between Related and Academic subjects. The one exception to this program is the Machine Drafting Course which operates on a split week basis. Here, a student spends fifty percent of his week in the Drafting Department, the remaining fifty percent is spent in a classroom for Related or Academic subjects.

The curriculum for the School includes:

- a) Shop
- b) Related Subjects: Mathematics, Science, and Related Drawing for each Trade.
- c) Academic: English, Social Studies Physical Education.

ENROLLMENT

In October, 1964, our enrollment of sixty students was divided as follows:

Machine Shop	24	Carpentry & Millwork	15
Metal Fab & Welding	15	Machine Drafting	6

To be admitted to our Vocational School an applicant must be at least fourteen years of age and/or completed the eighth grade. He should have definite aims to pursue his Trade, and have the ability to profit by the instruction offered.

EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

The Machine, Metal Fabrication & Welding, and Carpentry Shops are located in a building separate from the High School. Our Classrooms, however, and the Machine Drafting Department are located in the High School. All four Shops have been organized to create an "industry atmosphere".

MACHINE SHOP

Equipped with:

Engine Lathes, Turret Lathes, Horizontal Milling Machines, Shaper, Vertical Milling Machines, Surface Grinder, Cylindrical Grinder, Cutter Grinder, Band Saws, Drill Press, Precision Small Tools.

METAL FAB & WELD SHOP

Equipped with:

Arc Welding Machines, Oxy-Acetylene Equipment, Burning Equipment, Bending Machine, Press Brake, Shear, Forming Machine, Small Tools

CARPENTRY SHOP

Equipped with:

Planer, Jointer, Mortiser, Tenoner, Band Saw, Drill Press, Sawdust Collector, Radial Saw, Tilting Arbor Saw, Scroll Saw, Disc Sander, Belt Sander, Carpentry Work Benches, Small Tools & Equipment.

MACHINE DRAFTING DEPARTMENT

Equipped with:

Drafting Tables, Drafting Machines, Straight Edges, Blueprint Machine, Blueprint Developer, Instruments.

The Vocational School has been designed for a maximum enrollment of 160 students.

We will attain this at the start of the fourth year 1967.

We anticipate an annual enrollment of approximately 40 new students.

FACULTY

Today our teaching staff consists of five full-time Vocational Teachers, and one part-time instructor from the High School.

Our four Shop Teachers are skilled in their respective Trades. To meet the State Vocational Education Teachers requirements. Vocational Teachers have to be in their Trade at least eight years, complete Part One Teacher Training Course of 120 hours and; before or within one year of appointment complete Part Two Advance Teacher Training Course of 120 hours. The Teacher must be certified by State of Mass. to teach his Trade.

CONCLUSION

The Tantasqua Regional Vocational High School is a State-aided Vocational School. Each year the Massachusetts Department of Vocational Schools receives funds from the Federal Government to aid the Vocational Schools. The Commonwealth pays fifty percent of our School's net operating expenses.

With the addition of some equipment and several teachers we will be able, in the next few years to instruct approximately 160 students preparing for the four different Trades. It is important to everyone, that these boys, having a greater affinity to the Trades, be given the opportunity to obtain suitable instruction under competent teachers and with proper facilities. We are well on our way to accomplishing this.

Your Regional School Committee and Superintendent of Schools have worked diligently over the last few years to establish this Vocational School. The results are gratifying.

We are looking to the future with pride, knowing that when our Students graduate, they will start their working careers as Tradesmen, and, become good citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. RUSSO Director

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To a considerable extent, the report of the Finance committee is more or less a carbon copy of the last several years.

We met and organized with Merrill Spear as Chairman; William Cox as Vice-Chairman; and William D. Spooner as Secretary. During the year we had to elect two new members to the committee: Arthur D. Kenyon to replace Mark Newton who resigned to go South for the winter, and Willis S. Gerrish when William Cox accepted the position of Gas Inspector, Llewellyn Norton was then elected as Vice-Chairman.

Although most of the departments held within their voted budgets, we had to meet early in the year to act on two requests, and during the year to act on others. The transfers which we made from the Finance Committee Reserve Fund during the year were:

- \$219.16 to complete the payment for last year's Town Reports. This matter was quite controversial, as this was the highest amount ever paid by the Town for such reports. The overdraft was not an emergency, yet the Town had entered into a contract with the printer, and a majority of the committee felt that the printer was entitled to his pay without waiting throughout the year until another Town Meeting should be held to authorize payment from General Funds.
- \$120.00 to resurface a portion of the town sidewalk which had become dangerous.
- \$116.65 to the Care of the Dump Account, made necessary by the fact that a custodian is kept on duty to maintain order.
- \$300.00 to the Cemetery Department because of extra expense in opening graves (which is reimbursed to the General Treasury) and to repair the work of vandals.

\$45.00 to the Tree Warden because of unexpected expense incurred in taking down a large tree.

\$12.50 to the Moderator's Account to attend a State Meeting.

\$100.00 for temporary repairs on the Monson Road near the Dingley Dell Bridge.

\$100.00 for sanding the roads after a storm in early December.

While the committee again wishes to compliment the various departments for their care in staying within their voted budgets, we would again emphasize that transfers from the Reserve Fund may be made only for "Extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures" therefore, no funds can be transferred simply because accounts have become depleted.

An effort was made toward having the Town dispose of any tax-title properties which they have accumulated, thus realizing what they can on these properties and getting them back into a position where they will again be paying revenue to the Town.

This Committee was quite happy with the manner in which the budgets were submitted this year, but, being aware that committees and officers change from year to year, would remind all that the law requires that all budgets for the ensuing year be presented 10 days before the end of the year.

Not as much time was required to study the budgets this year, as most of the departments were quite explicit in explaining their needs.

In considering the salaries of the elected officers for the ensuing year, we recommend that they all be the same as in 1964, except that, on the explanation of the Selectmen of greater duties, we recommend an additional \$50.00 each; and an explanation of the Treasurer of the time his position requires, we recommend an additional \$100.00 on his salary. The Board of Health, being a new department, without a previous salary, we have recommended a basis yearly salary of \$50.00 each.

In line with the age and condition of the Town Hall roof, we consider it necessary that the roof be recovered.

Realizing that the time is not too far away when we will be forced to provide more space in the Grammar School, we favor the setting aside of as much money as possible to add to the Stabilization Fund.

In considering the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, we found only a few articles which we considered controversial:

We considered the work of the Womens' Business Club over the years in building the Cemtery Wall, and, a small amount of help being needed to complete the work, that we should go along with it.

We agreed that the Library has been doing increasingly commendable work, and that it would certainly be of benefit to that department, and to the community in general, to accept the very kind offer of Miss Margaret Sherman.

We consider that the establishment of zoning laws in this town is a definite forward move, as there is no question that those who would put up substandard buildings or would establish substandard living conditions, will, with more and more towns adopting zoning laws, have to locate in places without restrictions. It appears to us, therefore, that it would be best to establish such laws before an unbearable situation arises.

In the same vein, we consider it would be a definite step backward to abolish the Planning Board, thus, in a sense, eventually inviting the State to establish our standards for us.

Again we wish to thank the officers and boards of the Town who cooperated in discharging their duties and presented their requirements for the ensuing year, and we would caution the voters that **EVERY CENT VOTED AT THE TOWN MEETING WILL MAKE JUST THAT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THEIR OWN TAX BILLS.**

We, of the Finance Committee, consider it has been a privilege to serve the Town for another year and have tried to make an impartial and honest effort to act for the best, long-range, good of our Community.

Respectfully submitted,
Town of Brimfield Finance Committee

MERRILL SPEAR,

Chairman

LLEWELLYN NORTON,

Vice-Chairman

WILLIAM D. SPOONER

Secretary

ARNOLD R. BEATON

NOAH D. FOUNTAIN

WILLIS S. GERRISH

ARTHUR D. KENYON

LEO E. LAVIGNE

EUGENE I. ROBERTS

BUDGET FOR 1965

	Appro. 1964	Expended 1964	Fin. Com. Rec. 1965
Moderator	50.00	62.50	70.00
Selectmen	2,000.00	1,996.49	2,400.00
Town Accountant	1,500.00	1,491.37	1,300.00
Treasurer	1,130.00	969.87	1,173.00
Tax Collector	1,320.00	1,302.87	1,357.50
Assessors	1,602.00	1,517.73	1,625.00
Town Clerk	600.00	598.37	600.00
Finance Committee	75.00	44.50	75.00
Certifying Notes	200.00	2.00	20.00
Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Planning Board	300.00	53.41	450.00
Election and Registration	985.00	918.44	455.00
Town Hall	2,500.00	2,917.49	3,000.00
Police	300.00	288.20	400.00
Fire Department	4,615.00	3,841.70	4,000.00
Tree Warden	300.00	344.57	500.00
Moth Suppression	150.00	149.96	800.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	103.25	103.09	103.50
Civil Defense	260.00	251.72	250.00
General Health	4,000.00	2,618.34	1,050.00
Care of Dump	400.00	513.65	750.00
General Highways	11,500.00	11,433.75	10,000.00
Chapter 81	2,560.00	20,159.46	2,560.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,500.00	7,499.01	2,500.00
Chapter 90 Construction	5,000.00	None	5,000.00
Street Lighting	1,950.00	1,884.08	1,950.00
Public Assistance	16,697.77	16,559.25	25,000.00
Veterans Benefits	1,000.00	305.50	2,800.00
Veterans Service District	710.50	710.50	700.00
School	106,544.00	104,802.85	108,895.18
Trade School Tuition and Transportation	3,000.00	807.07	3,000.00
Tantasqua Regional H. S.	112,883.20	112,883.20	126,601.40
Library	3,000.00	3,776.81	3,000.00
		2,500.00—500.00	
Common	400.00	286.95	400.00
Property Insurance	1,600.00	1,587.27	1,700.00
Workmen's Comp. Insurance	1,091.77	1,091.77	1,084.82
Town Reports	925.00	1,144.16	975.00
Memorial Day	280.00	230.72	280.00
Aid to Agriculture	50.00	50.00	100.00
County Retirement	1,104.67	1,104.67	1,006.00
Annuities	150.00	150.00	150.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00	1,010.31	2,000.00
Cemeteries	1,500.00	1,574.30	2,000.00
Interest	2,000.00	855.71	2,000.00
Census			200.00

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

During the past year we have started the much-needed work on the Town Hall, and in accordance with the vote taken on Article 18 of the 1964 Town Meeting Warrant, the old furnace room was cleaned out and a permanent cement floor installed, with an oil-fired furnace to heat the auditorium, dining room and welfare office. The heating duct in the rear of the auditorium was enclosed, forming a comfortable seat. The chimneys were also cleaned and pointed.

Continuing with the renovation project, the present town hall roof, which was installed 26 years ago, has developed several leaks. We hope that Article 15 of the 1965 Warrant will be given approval, so that this work may be done this year.

The paint is peeling and the plaster cracking in the Selectmens' room. We anticipate renovation, and accordingly, we have included an amount for this purpose in the Town Hall budget.

The new truck and sander, voted at the special town meeting in December, have been purchased and are in use at the present time.

May we take this opportunity to express appreciation for the cooperation shown by Brimfield residents and town employees alike, during this past year.

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA
RICHARD C. ALLEN

FRANK B. HALEY
Board of Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1964	\$ 99,866.13
Cash receipts	457,661.35
Audit adjustment	40.31
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	\$557,567.79
Paid on Treasury Warrants	433,526.09
Audit adjustment	14.02
Held in Savings Accounts	4,355.12
Cash on hand December 31, 1964	120,672.56
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	\$557,567.79

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

For The Year Ending December 31, 1964

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes:

Personal 1964	\$ 14,331.88	
Real Estate 1964	139,872.68	
Classified Forest Land 1964	1,014.78	
Trailer Tax	698.00	
Poll Previous Years	12.00	
Personal Previous Years	456.85	
Real Estate Previous Years	21,006.75	
Classified Forest Land Previous Years	55.20	
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		\$177,448.14

Motor Vehicle Excise:

Levy of 1964	24,228.53	
Previous Years	9,865.02	
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		34,093.55

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1964	214.13	
Previous Years	24.00	
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	238.13	

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	4,775.25	
Corporation Tax	9,442.53	
Chapter 70 G.L.	29,648.90	
Meal Tax	783.08	
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44,649.76

Tax Title Redemptions		41.30
Reimbursements—Loss of Taxes		8,203.71
Licenses and Permits		
Liquor	1,450.00	
All Other	106.00	
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Court Fines		45.00
Sale of Timber		325.00
Grants from Federal Government:		
Old Age Assistance	8,535.01	
Aid to Dependent Children	7,416.07	
Medical Assistance for Aged	5,047.53	
National Defense Act	228.12	
School Lunch Program	2,135.84	
Disability Assistance	46.50	
	<hr/>	23,409.07
Grants from State:		
Vocational Education	845.78	
Transportation	35,152.77	
Aid to Libraries	500.00	
Highway Chapter 81	13,544.72	
Compensation from State		
Withholding	26.32	
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Grants from County:		
Dog Licenses		489.46
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TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE		340,568.71
COMMERCIAL REVENUE		
Town Hall		\$1,594.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$ 33.75	
Services of Dog Officer	515.00	
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Highway:

Chapter 90 Maint. — State	2,199.81
Chapter 90 Maint. — County	2,199.81
Machinery Fund	12,265.27
Chapter 90 Const. — State	1,969.25
Chapter 90 Const. — County	984.62
Chapter 782 — State	7,324.24
Chapter 822 — State	7,324.24
Workmen's Compensation	621.32
Reimbursement for Highway Cleaning	506.00

35,394.56

Public Welfare:

Aid to Dependent Children	4,954.86
Old Age Assistance	1,412.64
Medical Assistance for Aged	3,445.01

9,812.51

Health and Sanitation:

Reimbursement from other towns	18.95
School Lunch Collections	5,109.07
Library Fines	184.72
Care of Cemetery Lots	703.50
Sale of Cemetery Lots	10.00
Reimbursement for Advertising Planning Board	10.00

General Interest:

Interest on Taxes	815.41
Interest on Tax Titles Redeemed	15.49
Interest on Special Assessments	1.75
Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise	87.96
Interest on Savings	3.78
Interest on Library Trust Funds	414.20
Interest on Cemetery Trust Funds	7.25

1,345.84

Unclassified:

Commission on Telephone	68.87
Reimbursement on Advertising	
For Tax Taking	15.93
Tailings	170.30

TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE	54,987.00
Municipal Indebtedness	50,000.00

Agency Trust and Investment:

Dog Licenses for County	760.00
Federal Withholding	9,350.46
State Withholding	1,229.06
Retirement	685.48

12,025.00

Refunds	120.93
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Cash on Hand January 1, 1964	99,866.13
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TOTAL	\$557,567.77
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PAYMENTS GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator:

Salary	\$ 50.00	
Expense	12.50	62.50

Selectmen:

Salaries	800.00
Clerk	275.00

Expenses:

Telephone	202.30
Printing, Stationery, Postage	159.86
Travel	51.53
Dog Officer	357.00
Other	150.80

921.49

Accountant:

Salary		1,200.00
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Expenses:

Printing, Stationery, Postage	5.07	
Dues	5.00	
Adding Machine and Files	281.30	

291.37

Treasurer:

Salary		550.00
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Expenses:

Printing, Stationery, Postage	263.65	
Surety Bonds	110.40	
Other	45.82	

419.87

Tax Collector:

Salary	600.00	
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Expenses:

Printing, Stationery, Postage	326.89	
Surety Bond	263.83	
Other	112.15	

702.87

Assessors:

Salaries		900.00
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Clerk		300.00
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Expenses:

Printing, Stationery, Postage	176.48	
Travel	130.00	
Other	11.25	

317.73

Other Finance Offices and Accounts:

Certifying Notes		2.00
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Finance Committee Dues and		
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Travel and Expenses		44.50
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Town Counsel:		100.00
Town Clerk		
Salary		350.00
Expenses:		
Recording Fees	71.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	101.95	
Surety Bond	6.75	
Other	68.67	
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		248.37
Election and Registration:		
Registrars	133.13	
Election Officers	420.08	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	126.25	
Street List	184.40	
Other	54.58	
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		918.44
Planning Board:		
Legal Fees	25.80	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	27.61	
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		53.41
Town Hall:		
Janitor	876.00	
Heating System Repair	2,500.00	
Fuel	844.94	
Light	150.93	
Janitor Supplies	178.57	
Repairs	749.73	
Other	117.32	
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		5,417.49
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Total General Government		\$14,475.04

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department:

Wages	\$ 132.00
Equipment and Repairs	156.20
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	288.20

Fire Department:

Chief	200.00
Payroll	79.50
Apparatus	1,120.73
Gas and Oil	170.50
Rent	870.00
Telephone	250.20
Insurance	1,065.12
Other	85.65
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3,841.70

Civil Defense:

Salary	100.00
Equipment and Repairs	151.72
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251.72

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	75.00
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Expenses:

Automobile	20.00
Equipment	8.09
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28.09

Tree Warden:

Salary	25.00
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Expenses:

Labor	54.00
Hired Equipment	225.00
Compensation Insurance	2.43
Other	38.14
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319.57

Moth Suppression:

Wages	138.60
Car Expense	11.36

149.96

TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS
AND PROPERTY

\$4,979.24

General Health	277.81
Medicine and Treatment	132.79
Board and Treatment	1,678.10
Inspection of Animals and Slaughter	74.50
Dump Contract	79.70
Care of Dump	513.65
Other	55.14

3,211.69

HIGHWAYS

Highway General:

Bridge Repair:

Wages	804.40
Trucks	125.50
Compensation Insurance	36.20

\$ 966.10

Snow and Ice Removal:

Wages	3,933.63
Town Trucks	4,681.03
Hired Equipment	1,096.00
Salt, Sand and Gravel	579.96
Compensation Insurance	177.03

10,467.65

Total Highway General

\$11,433.75

Highway

Chapter 81:

Labor	5,936.46	
Town Equipment	5,804.43	
Sand and Gravel	4,861.98	
Hired Equipment	2,981.96	
Clerk	307.50	
Compensation Insurance	267.13	
	<hr/>	20,159.46

Highway

Chapter 90: Maintenance 1963

Labor	46.00	
Town Equipment	73.20	
Clerk	10.00	
Compensation Insurance	2.07	
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Chapter 90 Maintenance 1964

Labor	134.15	
Town Equipment	51.40	
Hired Trucks	1,010.00	
Compensation Insurance	6.04	
Hired Equipment	6,297.42	
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Highway

Chapter 90 Construction 1962

Advertising Bids	\$ 13.20	
Hired Engineer	75.80	
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Highway

\$89.00

Chapter 782 Old Palmer Road

Wages	744.32	
Town Trucks	710.40	
Hired Equipment	2,938.23	
Clerk	27.50	
Compensation Insurance	33.49	
	<hr/>	4,453.94

Chapter 782 Little Alum Road

Wages	704.93
Town Trucks	701.30
Hired Equipment	1,417.28
Clerk	15.00
Compensation Insurance	31.74

2,870.25

Machinery Account:

Labor	1,464.65
Compensation Insurance	65.86
Parts and Repairs	4,311.27
Gas and Oil	1,528.28
Heat and Light	720.15
Telephone	154.55
Insurance and Registration	473.31
Rent	1,400.00

10,118.07

Street Lighting:

Street	1,863.96
Telephone Booth	20.12

1,884.08

Sidewalk Repairs

120.00

Purchase of Town Truck

3,096.00

TOTAL HIGHWAY

\$61,854.83

CHARITIES AND VETERANS BENEFITS

Board Salaries

\$141.65

Public Welfare

Groceries and Provisions	\$ 137.00
Cash Aid to Individuals	50.00

\$187.00

Aid to Dependent Children:

Cash Aid

14,836.59

Medical Assistance to Aged

Cash Aid

10,045.37

Old Age Assistance:

Cash Aid	7,953.78
Other Cities and Towns	125.40
Disability Assistance:	24.00
Veterans Benefits:	305.50
Veterans Service District:	710.50

TOTAL CHARITIES AND
VETERANS BENEFITS

\$34,329.79

SCHOOLS

General Administration:

School Committee Salaries	\$ 300.00
Clerks	1,517.76
Superintendent's Salary	1,484.24
Truant Officer	75.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage	109.17
Telephone	358.29
Travel	89.61
School Census	50.00
All Other	285.75

4,269.82

Teachers' Salaries:

Regular	47,951.47
Substitutes	732.75

48,684.22

Text Books and Supplies:

Text and Reference Books	2,181.88
All Other	2,614.69

\$4,796.57

Transportation:

High	23,757.00
Elementary	9,419.40

33,176.40

Janitors' Services		5,834.08
Fuel and Light		3,005.32
Maintenance of		
Buildings and Grounds:		
Repairs	1,848.44	
Janitor's Supplies	849.42	
All Other	342.00	
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		3,039.86
Rent—Superintendent's Office		202.40
Insurance		26.42
School Health:		
Physician	241.00	
Nurse	720.00	
Nurse Travel	28.87	
Mental Health	871.22	
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		1,861.09
National Defense Education Act		311.73
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Total from School Appropriation		105,207.91
Vocational School:		
Transportation	465.12	
Tuition—Worcester	75.15	
Tuition—Springfield	219.80	
Tuition—Southbridge	47.00	
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		807.07
Tantasqua Regional School District		112,883.20
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TOTAL SCHOOLS		\$218,898.18
SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTS		
Wages	\$3,320.60	
Food	3,909.33	
Other	293.92	
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		7,523.85

LIBRARY

Librarian	1,200.00
Assistants	333.79
Janitor Service	324.00
Books	1,161.32
Periodicals	22.50
Binding Books	73.94
Binding Periodicals	31.00
Fuel	275.83
Light	144.53
Repairs	52.40
Furniture	28.05
Care of Grounds	42.25
Janitor's Supplies	4.37
Stationery and Postage	63.89
All Other	18.94

 3,776.81

RECREATION and UNCLASSIFIED

Town Common	286.95
Memorial Day	230.72
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Town Reports	1,144.16
Blanket Fire Insurance	1,538.67
Town Scale Insurance	48.60
Compensation Insurance	1,091.74
Annuities	150.00
County Retirement	1,104.67
Cleaning Highway	506.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	145.65

 6,297.16

CEMETERIES

Labor	1,389.75
Equipment and Gas	28.40
Repair and Parts	77.50
Stationery and Postage, Travel	78.65

 1,574.30

INTEREST

Revenue Loan	855.71
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTENESS

Revenue Loan	50,000.00
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AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

State Audit Tax	\$1,745.96
State Recreation Area Tax	872.04
County Tax	5,131.01
Dog Licenses for County	733.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care—New	50.00
Cemetery Trust Fund—Interest	7.25
Library Trust Fund—Interest	124.69
Federal Withholding	9,249.44
State Withholding	1,365.27
County Retirement	593.76

19,872.42

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

REFUNDS

Taxes	401.10
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,317.84
Town Hall Rent	2.00
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	
To State	1,432.91
To Federal Government	1,737.22

4,891.07

Total Payments	432,540.09
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Transfer from General Fund to
Savings Account

War Memorial Fund	117.04
Sale of Real Estate	1,950.00
Center School Building Fund	2,288.08

Cash in Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1964	4,355.12
Cash Balances, General Fund Dec. 31, 1964	120,672.56

Total	557,567.77
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TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1964

General Accounts

ASSETS

Cash General Fund	
Cash in Savings Bank	
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
Levy of 1958	
Personal Property	
Real Estate	9.12
Levy of 1959	58.14
Personal Property	
Real Estate	40.00
Levy of 1960	121.25
Poll	
Personal Property	
Real Estate	34.00
Levy of 1961	79.80
Poll	
Personal Property	126.54
Real Estate	
Levy of 1962	
Poll	32.00
Personal Property	101.70
Real Estate	523.72
Levy of 1963	
Poll	60.00
Personal Property	95.79
Real Estate	2,591.00
Levy of 1964	
Poll	92.00

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Temporary Loans:		
In Anticipation of Revenue 1964	\$50,000.00	
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	\$1,115.57	
State Taxes	145.72	
County Retirement		
System	101.51	
Overestimated Assessments:		1,362.80
State Recreation Area		78.25
Received for County:		
Dog Licenses		27.00
Outstanding Checks — Tailings		170.30
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		1,538.22
War Memorial Gift		117.04
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		60.00
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,950.00
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery Fund	1,726.56	
Compensation Insurance		
Fund	524.05	
		2,250.61

Personal Property	189.00		Federal Grants:	
Real Estate	7,161.05		Old Age Assistance Adm.	4.40
Levy of 1964			Old Age Assistance	1,650.80
Personal Property	261.08		Aid to Dependent	
Real Estate	18,858.46		Children, Adm.	67.01
			Aid to Dependent	
			Children	617.41
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		30,434.65	Medical Aid for Aged	
Levy of 1957	45.65		Adm.	49.20
Levy of 1958	174.47		Medical Aid for Aged	2,145.15
Levy of 1959	260.93		Disability Assistance	212.26
Levy of 1960	1,074.04			
Levy of 1961	1,413.62		State Grants:	
Levy of 1962	1,987.88		Medical Asst. for Aged	
Levy of 1963	3,598.32		Chapter 822 1963 Funds	275.58
Levy of 1964	6,629.98		State Aid for Libraries	7,324.24
			Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus	500.00
Farm Animal Excise	15,184.89		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	62.67
Levy of 1960	16.42		Levy of 1962	2,567.64
Levy of 1961	25.63		Levy of 1963	2,555.02
Levy of 1963	31.50		Levy of 1964	3,294.22
Levy of 1964	28.88			
			Revenue Received — Until Collected:	
Classified Forest Land Taxes:		102.43	Motor Veh. and Trailer	
Levy of 1960	19.38		Excise	15,184.89
Levy of 1962	.93		Farm Animal Excise	102.43
Levy of 1963	15.40		Classified Forest Land —	
Levy of 1964	70.26		Special Tax	105.97
			Tax Title	7,906.43
			Departmental	3,035.30
Tax Titles and Possessions:		105.97		
Tax Titles.	6,741.17			
Tax Possessions	1,123.96			
				26,335.02

Trust and Investment Funds:
Cash and Securities:
In Custody of Treasurer

Harriet M. Harding Charity Fund	3,385.07
Harriet M. Allen School Fund	1,136.06
Mary E. Burns School Fund	1,499.65
Library Funds	
Mary K. Hyde	831.50
Ursula J. Shaw	2,489.09
Endocia G. Flynt	103.52
Albert G. Tarbell	200.00
Julia E. Coy	645.04
Elizabeth B. Robinson	411.41
Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00
Emily Allen Woods	500.00
Mary E. Burns	1,000.00
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James O. Lincoln Library Building	7,180.56
Chamberlain-Smith Historical Fund	4,020.07
Florence S. Pearsall Monument	872.08
Fence Fund	166.88
Francis Bliss Cemetery Gate Fund	55.32
Cemetery Wall Fund	403.85
Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fund	564.01
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	32,700.93
Stabilization Fund	16,192.55
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TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, SS:

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday, the First Day of March, 1965 at twelve (12) O'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election of officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: A Moderator for one year; three Selectmen for one year each; one Assessor for three years; one Highway Surveyor for one year; one member of the School Committee for three years; one member of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for one year; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; two Library Trustees for three years; one Trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one Trustee of the Lincoln Library Fund for three years; three members of a Board of Public Health, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8:00 P.M.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for Town employees.

Article 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$2500.00) for the maintenance of the Warren, Old Palmer, Brookfield, and Holland Roads under Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by State and County for the purpose.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5000.00 for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient and public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to be used with Chapter 81 funds to shape and oil Adams Drive, or take any other action thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,250.00 to shingle the Town Hall roof and construct a fence and gate on fire escape, or take any other action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to be used with a minimum of \$2,200.00 to be contributed by the Women's Business Club of Brimfield, to construct an addition to the cemetery wall for a distance of approximately 300 feet; the project to be carried on under the direction of the Cemetery Commissioners, and the wall to be of similar design as the present section; this extension to be known as the Margaret Dunsmor Memorial Wall, or take any other action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for gypsy moth control, or take any other action thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42, or take any other action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to approve an expenditure of \$1,391.29 of funds made available under the provisions of Chapter 822 of the Acts of 1963 for the

reconstruction and improvement of Sutcliffe Road in an area approximately 300 feet south of the junction of Old Palmer Road and Sutcliffe Road for a distance of approximately 1200 feet on Sutcliffe Road.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator of the Annual Town Meeting, 1965, to appoint a School Building Committee of five members, one from the Board of Selectmen, one from the Finance Committee, one from the School Committee, plus two members at large, said Building Committee to act for the Town of Brimfield in negotiations with the State School Building Assistance Commission and an Architect, in the matter of an addition to the Elementary School up to the point in such negotiations where preliminary plans are obtained and reported to the Town at a subsequent Town Meeting; or take any other action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000.00 to be used to obtain preliminary plans for an addition to the Brimfield Elementary School, said sum to be expended by a duly appointed School Building Committee; or take any other action thereon.

Article 21. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying of expenses of the ensuing year, and direct how the same shall be expended.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article II, Section 9 of the Town of Brimfield By-Laws to include as officers of the Town a Board of Health of three members for three years each, one to be elected annually.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Miss Margaret Sherman a gift of \$15,000.00 for the

construction of an addition to the Brimfield Library to be known as the Sherman Memorial Room, which would be used to house historical records and documents, to provide facilities for their use, and to serve such other purposes as may be deemed appropriate by the Library Trustees.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to expend the funds given by Miss Sherman for the purpose specified.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to repeal Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Article IX of the Town By-Laws.

Article 27. To see if the Town will adopt a Zoning By-Law in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40-A of the General Laws, the provisions of which are as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE TOWN OF BRIMFIELD, MASS. SECTION I. PURPOSE

To promote the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of its inhabitants, to lessen the danger from fire and congestion, and to improve the town under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40A, the use, construction, repair, alteration and height of buildings and structures and the use of premises in the town of Brimfield are hereby restricted and regulated as hereinafter provided.

SECTION II. DEFINITIONS

In this By-Law the following terms, unless a contrary meaning is required by the context or is specifically prescribed, shall have the following meanings.

II-A. Dwelling

A building or dwelling unit, or any part thereof, containing accommodations for permanent occupancy, including single-family, semi-detached, and two-family houses, boarding or lodging homes, but not including transient accommodations, such as in motels or hotels.

II-B. Trailer

Any vehicle which is or can be used as a dwelling and which is, has been, or can be mounted on wheels.

II-C. Trailer Camp

A parcel of land on which there is located or intended to be located two or more trailer homes occupied for living purposes.

SECTION III. ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS

III-A Types of Districts

For purposes of this By-law, the Town of Brimfield is hereby divided into the following types of use districts:

Residential

Agricultural-Residential

Business

Industrial

Flood Plain (See Section VI-C)

III-B. Location of Districts

Said districts are located and bounded as shown on a map entitled "Zoning Map of Brimfield, Massachusetts," dated February 17, 1965, and on file in the office of the Town Clerk. The Zoning Map, with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby made a part of this By-Law.

SECTION IV. USE REGULATIONS

Except as provided in Section VI-A-1 hereof, no building or structure shall be constructed, and no building, structure or land, or part thereof shall be used for any purpose or in any manner other than for one or more of the uses hereinafter set forth as permitted in the district in which such building, structure or land is located, or set forth as permissible by special permit in said district and so authorized.

IV-A. Residential Districts

1. Permitted Uses

a. Detached one-family dwelling.

b. Religious, education or municipal use.

c. Hospital, sanitarium, convalescent home.

d. Renting of rooms or furnishing of board for not more than four (4) persons in a dwelling regularly occupied for residential purposes.

e. Accessory uses customarily incidental to a permitted main use on the same premises, including but not limited to the following:

(1) Use of a room or rooms in a dwelling for customary home occupations conducted by resident occupants, such as dressmaking, candy making or for the practice, by a resident, of a recognized profession.

(2) Use of premises or building thereon in connection with his trade by a resident carpenter, electrician, painter, plumber or other artisan provided that no manufacturing or business requiring substantially continuous employment be carried on.

(3) Display of a sign pertaining to a permitted use with a total area of no more than six (6) square feet.

4. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VII-B-2 of this By-Law.

a. Private club not conducted for profit.

b. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.

IV-B. Agricultural-Residential Districts

1. Permitted Uses

a. All uses permitted in Residential District.

b. Farm or Nursery, including the display and sale of natural products raised in the town and the raising of stock except as limited by Section 2 below.

c. Accessory uses.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VII-B-2 of this By-Law.

a. Aviation field, golf course, boat livery, riding stable and ski tow.

b. Private club not conducted for profit.

- c. Soil, gravel, loam and sand removal.
- d. The raising of hogs, pigs or fur-bearing animals, provided such activity is carried on at least 500 feet from any property line.
- e. Open-air movie theater.
- f. Conversion of a one-family dwelling existing at the time of adoption of this By-Law into a two-family dwelling.

IV-C. Business District

1. Permitted Uses

- a. Any use permitted in a Residential District.
- b. Office, bank, newspaper or job printing establishment.
- c. Hotel, motel or restaurant.
- d. Any wholesale or retail business, research laboratory, service of public utility not involving manufacture on the premises except of products the major portion of which is sold on the premises by the producer to the consumer.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VII-B-2 of this By-Law.

- a. Place or amusement or assembly, club conducted for profit.
- b. Automobile service station, repair shop, storage garage or salesroom.
- c. Trailer camp.

IV-D. Industrial District

I. Permitted Uses

- a. Any business use permitted in a Business District.
- b. Any manufacturing or industrial use, including processing, fabrication and assembly, provided that no such use shall be permitted which would be detrimental or offensive or tend to reduce property values in the same or adjoining districts by reason of dirt, odor, fumes, smoke, gas, sewage, refuse, noise, excessive vibration or danger of explosion or fire.

c. Religious, education, or municipal use.

2. Uses which may be permitted by the Board of Appeals in accordance with the regulations appearing in Section VII-B-2 of this By-Law.

a. Automobile dismantling or used-parts yard.

D. Junk yard.

SECTION V. INTENSITY REGULATIONS

V-A. A dwelling hereafter erected in any district shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below, and no more than one dwelling shall be built upon any such lot. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.

District	Minimum Lot Dimension		Minimum Yard Dimension		
	Area in	Frontage	Front	Side	Rear
	sq. ft. (a)	in ft. (a)	in ft. (b)	in ft. (b)	in ft. (b)
Residence	18,750	125	50	15	40
Agricultural - Residence	18,750	125	50	15	40
Business	18,750	125	50	15	40
Industrial (New residential construction not permitted)					
Max. Height of Bldg. (c)		Max. % Coverage			
No. of Stories		Including Accessory Buildings		Floor Area	
		Ft.	Sq. Ft.		
(2½)		(35)	(30)	(720)	
(2½)		(35)	(20)	(720)	
(2½)		(35)	(40)	(720)	

V-B. A building or structure hereafter erected in a Business or Industrial District shall be located on a lot having not less than the minimum requirements set forth in the table below. No existing lot shall be changed as to size or shape so as to result in the violation of the requirements set forth below.

	Minimum Lot Dimension		Minimum Yard Dimension		
	Area in Sq. ft. (a)	Frontage in ft. (a)	Front in ft. (b)	Side in ft. (d)	Rear in ft. (e)
Business	18,750	125	50	15	40
Industrial	62,500	250	50	40	40

	Max. Height of Bldg. (c)		Max. % Coverage Including Accessory Buildings
	No. of Stories	Ft.	
(3)	(40)	(60)	
(4)	(50)	(60)	

Footnotes to the above Table

(a) Recorded plans and lots shown on a plan endorsed "Approved Under the Subdivision Control Law not Required". A lot or parcel of land having an area or a frontage of lesser amounts than required by this table may be considered as coming within the area and frontage requirements of this section, provided such lot or parcel of land was shown on a plan or described in a deed duly recorded or registered at the time of adoption of this by-law and did not at the time of such adoption

adjoin other land of the same owner available for use in connection with such lot or parcel, or may be built upon for residential use for a period of five years from the date of such recording or such endorsement, whichever is earlier if, at the time of the adoption of such requirements or increased requirements, such lot was held in common ownership with that of adjoining land located in the same residential district; and further provided, in either instance, at the time of building (a) such lot has an area of five thousand square feet or more and a frontage of fifty feet or more, is in a district zoned for residential use, and conforms except as to area, frontage, width, and depth with the applicable provisions of the zoning ordinance or by-law in effect in such city or town and (b) any proposed structure is to be located on such lot so as to conform with the minimum requirements of front, side, and rear yard setbacks, if any, in effect at the time of such recording or such endorsement, whichever is earlier, and to all other requirements for such structure in effect of the time of building.

The provisions of this section shall not be construed to prohibit a lot being built upon, if at the time of building, building upon such lot is not prohibited by the ordinances or by-laws in effect in such city or town.

(b) To be measured from the right-of-way line where a plan of the way is on file with the Registry of Deeds or, in the absence of such a plan, from a line 25 feet from and parallel with the center line of the traveled way.

(c) The limitation on height of buildings shall not apply in any district to chimneys, ventilators, towers, spires or other ornamental features of buildings which features are in no way used for living purposes.

(d) Side yard dimension will be (50) feet when adjacent to Residence District.

(e) Rear yard dimension will be (50) feet when adjacent to Residence District.

SECTION VI. GENERAL REGULATIONS

VI-A. Non-conforming Uses

1. The lawful use of any structure or land existing at the time of the enactment or subsequent amendment of this By-Law may be continued although such structure or use does not conform with provisions of the By-Law.

2. Alteration. A non-conforming structure may not be altered or reconstructed if the cost of such alterations exceeds (50)% of the assessed valuation of the structure at the time of the change.

3. Extension. No increase in the extent of the non-conforming use of a structure or land may be made.

4. Restoration. No non-conforming structure damaged by fire or other causes to the extent of more than (75)% of its assessed valuation shall be repaired or rebuilt except in conformity with the By-Law.

5. Abandonment. A non-conforming use which has been abandoned for a year or more shall not be reestablished and any future use shall conform with this By-Law.

6. Changes. Once changed to a conforming use, no structure or land shall be permitted to revert to a non-conforming use.

VI-B. Accessory Buildings

1. No accessory building or structure shall be located within the required front yard area. No accessory building shall be located in any side yard area nearer to the side lot line than (15) feet, or in a rear yard area nearer to the rear lot line than (15) feet, or nearer to another principal or accessory building than (15) feet.

VI-C. Flood Plain Restrictions

1. In a Flood Plain District uses otherwise permitted as set forth in Sections IV-A through IV-E above may be authorized after a finding by the Board of Appeals, after a hearing with due notice given, that said use will not endanger the health or safety of the occupants thereof.

VI-D. Parking Requirements

1. Any building hereafter constructed for business or industrial use shall be so located upon its parcel of land that there may be provided on off-street parking area equal to twice the floor area of the building to be constructed.

SECTION VII. ADMINISTRATION

VII-A. Enforcement. This By-Law shall be enforced by a zoning officer elected by the town for a term of office, of three years. No building shall be built or altered and no use of land or a building shall be begun or changed without a permit having been issued by the zoning officer. No building shall be occupied until a certificate of occupancy has been issued by the zoning officer. Any person violating any of the provisions of this By-Law may be fined not more than twenty dollars for each offense. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

VII-B. Board of Appeals. There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of (3) members and (2) associate members to be appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in Chapter 40A of the General Laws, which shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this By-Law in the manner prescribed in Chapter 40A of the General Laws. The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers:

1. Appeals. To hear and decide an appeal taken by any person aggrieved by reason of his inability to obtain a permit from any administrative official under the provisions of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or by any officer or board of the town, or by any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the zoning officer or other administrative official in violation or any provision of Chapter 40A, General Laws, or of this By-Law.

2. Special Permits. To grant a special permit for an exception as provided by sections of this By-Law when it shall have found after a detailed study, duly advertised public hearing, and the concurring vote of all members of the Board of Appeals, that the use involved will not be detrimental to the established or future character of the neighborhood and town and subject to appropriate conditions or safeguards if deemed necessary.

3. Variances. To authorize upon appeal, or upon petition in cases where a particular use is sought for which no permit is required, with respect to a particular parcel of land or to an existing building thereon a variance from the terms of this By-Law where, owing to conditions especially effecting such parcel or such building but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located a literal enforcement of the provisions of this By-Law would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise to the appellant and where desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of this By-Law, but not otherwise.

VII-C. Amendment. This By-Law may be amended from time to time at an annual or special town meeting in accord with the provisions of Section 6 or Chapter 40A.

VII-D. Validity. The invalidity of any section or provision of this By-Law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

or take any other action thereon”.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 1st day of February, 1965.

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

RICHARD C. ALLEN

FRANK B. HALEY

Selectmen of Brimfield

A true copy,

Attest JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

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FOREWORD

This Annual Report for 1965 presents to all the Citizens of Brimfield a summary of events and activities of the Town Government, in brief, readable form.

It is always the privilege of each resident or businessman to contact individual departments for further details, or additional information.

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Hampden-Worcester Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

U.S. Senators are

EDWARD T. KENNEDY, Boston
LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, Dover

Congressman, 2nd District is

EDWARD P. BOLAND, Springfield

State Senator is

PHILIP A. QUINN, Spencer

Representative to General Court is

ALEXANDER LOLAS, Monson

County Commissioners are

WILLIAM F. STAPLETON, Holyoke
THOMAS F. SULLIVAN, Springfield
RALPH P. WALSH, Longmeadow

Democratic Town Committee

EDWARD KILLIAN, Chairman
EDWARD SHEERAN, Treasurer
MARGARET GILMAN, Secretary

Republican Town Committee

GEORGE B. ADAMS, Chairman
SHIRLEY NICHOLS, Secretary-Treasurer

TOWN OFFICERS — 1965

Town Clerk

JULIANE L. SPOONER Term expires 1967

Moderator

TIMOTHY J. DENNING Term expires 1966

Treasurer

CLARENCE H. KEITH Term expires 1967

Tax Collector

RUBY E. SMITH Term expires 1967

Selectmen

RICHARD C. ALLEN Term expires 1966

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA Term expires 1966

FRANK B. HALEY Term expires 1966

Assessors

JOHN M. HALEY Term expires 1968

ANDREW W. GONDEK Term expires 1967

EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1966

Highway Surveyor

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR. Term expires 1966

School Committee

RAYMOND ROBERTS Term expires 1968

OLIVE D. WESTON Term expires 1967

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT Term expires 1966

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

JOHN A. HAYWARD Term expires 1966

Board of Public Welfare

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH Term expires 1968

TIMOTHY J. DENNING Term expires 1967

HOMER L. PARKER Term expires 1966

Board of Public Health

EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1968

ROGER OSTERHELD Term expires 1967

GRETCHEN LOUX Term expires 1966

Cemetery Commission

JAMES A. ADAMS	Term expires 1968
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1967
EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1966

Library Trustees

LESTER W. PARKER	Term expires 1968
ETHEL E. SPOONER	Term expires 1968
VIOLET G. LOUX	Term expires 1967
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1967
BERTHA OSTERHELD	Term expires 1966
ROBERT E. BRUCE	Term expires 1966

Tree Warden

PERCY N. MOORE	Term expires 1966
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Constables

ROBERT J. CUTLER	Term expires 1968
ERVIN KETTLES (Resigned)	Term expires 1968
ARTHUR J. MOREAU	Term expires 1968
ERNEST L. MANN	Term expires 1968
JOHN H. STANTON	Term expires 1968

Trustees — Harriet Harding Fund

FENTON A. HASTINGS	Term expires 1968
EDWARD J. KILLIAN	Term expires 1967
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH	Term expires 1966

Planning Board

JAMES C. HATCH	Term expires 1970
PERRY WESTON	Term expires 1969
JOHN A. HAYWARD	Term expires 1968
HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK	Term expires 1967
ERNEST G. ROBERTS	Term expires 1966

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

EVERETT D. LANDEN	Term expires 1968
ROGER W. BENNETT	Term expires 1967
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1966

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS

1965

Town Accountant

JOSEPH DMUCHOVSKY Term expires 1966

Chief, Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

ALBERT GENDREAU Term expires 1966

Inspector of Animals

GEORGE W. TETREAULT Term expires 1966

Inspector of Slaughtering

DANIEL H. WELLS Term expires 1966

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH Term expires 1966
(Office discontinued - Chap. 406 of the Acts of 1965)

Moth Superintendent

EDWARD J. KILLIAN Term expires 1966

Agent, Board of Health

DR. JOHN RIGATTI Term expires 1966

MARYLOU ANTONOVITCH, R.N. Term expires 1966

Veteran's Agent

THOMAS J. FAULKNER Term expires 1966

Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. FREDERICK LAWRENCE Term expires 1966

Dog Officer

ARTHUR J. MOREAU Term expires 1966

Field Drivers

GEORGE TETREAULT Term expires 1966

LYMAN STANTON Term expires 1966

NEIL STALKER Term expires 1966

Fence Viewers

BRIAN HALEY	Term expires 1966
FRANKLIN SMITH	Term expires 1966
NEIL STALKER	Term expires 1966

Town Counsel

E. DONALD RIDDLE	Term expires 1966
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Finance Committee

LEO E. LAVIGNE	Term expires 1968
NOAH D. FOUNTAIN	Term expires 1968
ARTHUR E. KENYON	Term expires 1968
MERRILL SPEAR	Term expires 1967
ARNOLD BEATON	Term expires 1967
WILLIAM SPOONER	Term expires 1967
LLEWELLYN B. NORTON	Term expires 1966
W. SCOTT GERRISH	Term expires 1966
EUGENE ROBERTS	Term expires 1966

Jury List

MAURICE ST. CLAIR	Term expires 1968
RICHARD SOULIERE	Term expires 1968
SUMNER D. BARR	Term expires 1968
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT	Term expires 1967
ARTHUR E. BROWN	Term expires 1967
GEORGE B. SHERMAN	Term expires 1967
EMILY BAGSTER-COLLINS	Term expires 1966
NORRY L. DEMETRIUS	Term expires 1966
JOSEPH P. SKOWYRA	(drawn 8/18/65)

Registrars

MARGARET GILMAN	Term expires 1968
SHIRLEY NICHOLS	Term expires 1967
MARGARET V. McINTYRE	Term expires 1966

Civil Defense Director

C. KENNETH SILVIUS	Term expires 1966
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Town Garage & Fire Station Committee

FRANK B. HALEY, Chairman)	
MERRILL SPEAR, Clerk)	Terms expire
ERNEST ROBERTS	)	when report
DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.	)	submitted
ALBERT H. GENDREAU)	

Planning Board — Board of Appeals

LESTER H. SHELDON	Term expires 1968
CHENEY F. NEWTON	Term expires 1967
FRANCIS L. HENDERSON	Term expires 1966

Associate Members

STANLEY VAILL	Term expires 1967
D. WALKER CHENEY	Term expires 1966

School Building Committee

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT)	
RICHARD C. ALLEN	)	Terms expire
ARNOLD BEATON	)	when report
WILLIAM B. COX	)	submitted
WILLIAM F. WHITTEN)	

Memorial Day Committee

PERCY N. MOORE	Term expires 1966
ALBERT GENDREAU	Term expires 1966
MARGARET GILMAN	Term expires 1966
STEPHEN McNAMARA	Term expires 1966
JAMES HATCH	Term expires 1966
FLORENCE GENDREAU	Term expires 1966

By-Law Committee

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA	Term expires 1966
GEORGE B. ADAMS	Term expires 1966
ANDREW W. GONDEK	Term expires 1966

Caretaker at Dump

ALEXANDER McVEIGH	Term expires 1966
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Gas Inspector

MERRITT HYATT,	Term expires 1966
R.F.D. #1, Palmer, Mass.	

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1965	\$120,672.56	
Cash Receipts	508,634.51	
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		\$629,307.07
Paid on Treasury Warrants	523,177.93	
Cash on hand December 31, 1965	106,129.14	
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		\$629,307.07

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE H. KEITH

Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

126	Resident Fishing
102	Resident Hunting
64	Resident Sporting
30	Resident Minor Fishing
28	Resident Female Fishing
1	Resident Minor Trapping
5	Special Non-Resident Fishing
6	Non-Resident Fishing
2	Non-Resident Hunting
4	Duplicate Licenses
2	Archery Stamps
13	Resident Sporting (Free)

DOGS LICENSED

138	Male @ \$2.00	\$276.00
44	Female @ \$5.00	220.00
77	Spayed Female @ \$2.00	154.00
13	Kennels @ \$10.00	130.00
2	Kennels @ \$25.00	50.00
		\$830.00
Less Clerk's Fees 274 @ 25¢		68.50
Balance Paid to Treasurer		\$761.50

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog **three months old** or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Parents
1964		
October		
3	Reynold Patrick Paradis	Reynold L. and Theresa J. Provencher
November		
10	Guy Matthew Bacon	Harold F. and Jane F. Cournoyer
December		
26	Linda Sue Hogan	William J. and Judith A. Stagnaro
1965		
January		
28	Laura Jean Pariseau	Ronald N. and Joan H. Scott
March		
7	David Hoover Parks	Roger N. and Sandra J. Hoover
April		
7	Audrey Jean Blake	Roland R. and Jane M. Becker
20	Paul Michael Demers	Roland J. and Joan N. Tripp
23	Cheryl Ann Bliss	David M. and Ann E. Bonett
May		
12	Marie Christine Christo	Robert and Elizabeth A. Zanella
21	Sharon Dee Vreeland	George C. and Ruth A. Nortup
June		
2	Bruce Oliver Waite, Jr.	Bruce O., Sr. and Bette J. Archambault
21	Todd David Williams	David C. and Margery L. Coombs
24	Michael Allen Rososky	Charles F. and Judith S. Maffitt
July		
12	John Shannon Hayward	Clark W., Jr. and Helen F. Tetreault
13	Rusty Joseph Corriveau	Robert W. and Sandra L. Sheeran
17	Lorrie Ann Poulin	Joseph G. and Carol Ann Bigda
17	Heather Jean MacConnell	Robert J., Jr. and Barbara E. Nichols
August		
7	Tod David Sutcliffe	David R. and Betty J. Edwards
September		
16	Martin Wayne Lawrence	Richard D. and Nancy E. Clark
October		
20	Deborah Anne Gurski	Casimir A. and Annette V. DeSantis
28	Paula Jeanne Mitchell	George A. and Priscilla A. Mathieu
December		
1	Lisa Jean Shugart	Herbert J. and Lorraine R. Picard
3	James Michael Wright	Harold R. and Sandra J. Shaclumis

DEATHS RECORDED

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
1965				
January				
1	James Victor Howlett	—	1	24
16	Victoria (LaMontagne) Corriveau	79	—	—
20	Katherine Sophia (Parker) Gifford	84	3	13
22	Lena Viola (Chapin) Packard	90	8	20
April				
8	Marshall Joseph Gagne	65	9	9
15	Walter Edward Putnam	90	2	13
May				
8	John Dmuchovsky	88	3	25
17	Frank Louis Geffken	76	1	25
June				
23	Anna Emilie (Reichert) Lautenbach	90	0	20
July				
10	Annie (Meadowcroft) Perry	91	6	14
26	Chester Walter Inman	56	0	23
August				
10	John B. Schiehser	89	2	15
20	John Louis Duprey	79	7	20
29	Raymond Charles Besaw, Jr.	23	4	24
October				
3	Katherine (Dockham) Wesson	54	9	0
9	Albert Dale VanDerlick	18	11	23
23	Elizabeth Belle (Hall) Jamieson	80	4	16
November				
19	Glenn A. Coleman	1	—	—
26	Mary (Minnie) Ellen Collins	92	0	20
December				
21	Alice E. (White) Rennwantz	73	3	10

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
1965				
March				
13	Richard D. Lawrence		Nancy E. C. Ballou	Brimfield
		Brimfield		
April				
16	Joseph G. Poulin	Monson	Carol A. Bigda	Brimfield

Date	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence
May				
1	Richard J. Rogowski	Ware	Dorothy A. Brown	Brimfield
8	Bruce G. Savage	Sturbridge	Linda A. Watson	Holland
June				
5	Vernon H. Wemette	Monson	Judith Ann Dumas	Brimfield
13	Walter A. Tobias	Warren	Barbara M. Burroughs	Warren
26	Roger R. Jalbert	Sturbridge	Beverly J. Whitten	Brimfield
July				
3	Anthony L. Laska	Warren	Shirley Anne Bradway	Brimfield
23	Robert Nelson Craig	Brookfield	Thelma Louise Burnham	N. Brookfield
August				
14	David Hitchcock	Brimfield	Marianne Kane	Warren
28	Salvatore D. Cagnina	Burlington	Kathleen Elizabeth Dady	Brimfield
September				
11	Charles Richard Hughes	Plattsburg, N. Y.	Pauline L. L. Allen	Malone, N. Y.
18	Arthur E. Brown	Brimfield	Mary F. Y. R. Lucier	Brimfield
October				
2	Robert David Wood	Northampton	Donna Joy Loux	Brimfield
9	Alan B. Jalbert	Brimfield	Linda H. Langlois	Sturbridge
23	Wayne Philip Moreau	Brimfield	Mary Elizabeth Thompson	Brimfield
November				
13	David Albert Gendreau	Brimfield	Suzanne Louise Loranger	Sturbridge
13	Arthur Albert Pepin	Springfield	Shirley Bernice Piper	Brimfield
December				
11	Richard Surprenant	Brimfield	Elaine Loranger	Sturbridge
18	David Allan Kos	Brimfield	Marjorie G. Watling	Springfield
25	Lawrence Wells Heylinger	Springfield	Jessie Harriet Waite	Brimfield

CENSUS INFORMATION

The population of Brimfield on January 1, 1965, in accordance with the 1965 State Census figures was 1644, an increase of 230 over the Federal Census Figure, January 1, 1960, of 1414.

**BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1965**

Before considering the articles in the Warrant, the Moderator, Timothy J. Denning, presented an award from the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns to Mr. Cheney F. Newton, naming him Municipal Employee of the year 1963. Mr. Newton served the Town in many capacities, from 1903 to 1910, when he moved away, and upon his return from 1940 continuously to date.

- Article 1. Elected Town Officers
- Article 2. Voted to accept reports of officers, as printed. Voted to appoint a By-law Committee in accordance with recommendation contained in their report.
- Article 3. Voted that salaries of elected officers remain the same, except \$50.00 increase for each Selectman, \$100.00 increase for Treasurer, and that salary of Board of Health be \$50.00 each per year.
- Article 4. Voted \$548.08 be transferred from Compensation Insurance Fund and \$536.74 be raised by taxation to purchase Compensation Insurance.
- Article 5. Voted to turn the Dog Fund over to the Library.
- Article 6. Voted \$2500 for Chapter 90 Maintenance.

- Article 7. Voted \$5,000 for Chapter 90 Construction, \$2,500 of which be re-appropriated from the unexpended 1962 Chapter 90 Construction balance.
- Article 8. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.
- Article 9. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements.
- Article 10. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax title property at auction.
- Article 11. Voted to transfer \$2,826.41 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.
- Article 12. Voted \$600.00 to shape and oil Adams Drive and Hillside Drive.
- Article 13. Voted \$250.00 for Civil Defense.
- Article 14. Voted \$2,250 to shingle Town Hall roof and construct fence and gate on fire escape.
- Article 15. Voted \$3,000 to be used with Women's Business Club contribution of \$2,200 to construct an addition to the cemetery wall.
- Article 16. Voted \$800.00 for gypsy moth control.
- Article 17. Voted \$100.00 for Hampden County Aid to Agriculture.
- Article 18. Voted \$1,391.29 from Chapter 822 funds for reconstruction of Sutcliffe Rd.
- Article 19. Voted that Moderator appoint a School Building Committee to act until preliminary plans are obtained and reported to the Town.
- Article 20. Voted \$4,000.00 for preliminary plans for addition to the Elementary School.

- Article 21. Voted to accept the budget as printed, except \$4,550 for Fire Dept. and \$760.60 for Town Reports, these figures being changed after the report was printed.
- Article 22. Voted to add \$10,000 to the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 23. Voted to amend Article II, Section 9 of the By-laws to include three members of a Board of Health.
- Article 24. Voted to accept a gift of \$15,000.00 from Miss Margaret Sherman for construction of an addition to the Library — The Sherman Memorial Room.
- Article 25. Voted to authorize the Library Trustees to expend the funds given by Miss Sherman for the purpose specified.
- Article 26. Voted to retain the Planning Board.
- Article 27. Proposed Zoning By-law defeated.

**BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT SPECIAL
TOWN MEETING OCTOBER 4, 1965**

- Article 1. Voted to transfer \$11,000 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.
- Article 2. Voted \$3,500 from the Machinery Account for a used cab and chassis for the Highway Department.
- Article 3. Voted \$2,950 from the Machinery Account for a new automatic sander.
- Article 4. Voted to appoint a 5-man committee to secure plans for building a Town Garage and Fire Station.

- Article 5. Voted \$1,000 from available funds for plans for a Town Garage and Fire Station.
- Article 6. Voted \$2,011.00 from available funds to repair sections of John Haley Road and Paige Hill Rd.
- Article 7. Voted \$1,500 from available funds for the Fire Department.
- Article 8. Voted \$2,000 from available funds for General Highways.
- Article 9. Voted to retain the elective office of High-Surveyor.

The information with regard to these two town meetings is an abstract only.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

For The Year Ending December 31, 1965

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes:

Personal 1965	\$ 15,734.17	
Real Estate 1965	139,851.80	
Classified Forest Land 1965	957.06	
Trailer Tax 1965	1,400.00	
Poll Previous Years	38.00	
Personal Pervious Years	164.26	
Real Estate Previous Years	18,101.42	
Classified Forest Land Previous Years	52.23	
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		\$176,298.94

Motor Vehicle Excise:

Levy of 1965	23,210.34	
Previous Years	7,586.78	
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		30,797.12

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1965	129.83	
Previous Years	42.80	
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		172.63

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	18,727.93	
Corporation Tax	13,899.63	
Chapter 69-71 G.L.	14,973.01	
Meal Tax	711.89	
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		48,312.46

Tax Title Redemptions	875.59
Reimbursements — Loss of Taxes	8,731.76

Licenses and Permits:

Liquor	1,600.00
All Other	123.50

1,723.50
213.50

Court Fines

Grants from Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance	3,035.46
Aid to Dependent Children	8,233.16
Medical Aid to Aged	5,373.94
National Defense Education Act	141.97
School Lunch Program	2,483.93

19,268.46

Grants from State:

Vocational Education	\$ 489.79
Tuition and Transportation	33,152.50
Aid to Libraries	500.00
Union Superintendent	2,402.17
Chapter 81 Highway	27,813.01
State and County Tax	174.82
State Withholding Tax Compensation	24.80
Veterans Benefit	152.75

64,709.84

Grants from County:

Dog Licenses	534.62
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Gifts from Individuals

Women's Business Club	
(Margaret Dunsmore Memorial	
Cemetery Wall Account)	2,200.00
Mrs. Margaret Sherman (Sherman	
Memorial Library Room)	15,688.44

17,888.44

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE

\$369,526.86

Commercial Revenue

Town Hall		1,339.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Fire Dept.	35.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measurers	40.30	
Services of Dog Officer	168.00	
	<hr/>	243.30
Highway:		
Chapter 90 Maint. — State	2,499.67	
Chapter 90 Maint. — County	2,499.67	
Machinery Fund	16,756.13	
Workmens Compensation	707.00	
	<hr/>	22,462.47
Public Welfare:		
Public Welfare District	767.96	
Temporary Aid	1,151.40	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,222.85	
Old Age Assistance	6,177.51	
Medical Aid for Aged	3,818.14	17,137.86
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School Lunch Receipts		5,497.39
Library Fines		145.83
Care of Cemetery Lots		497.00
Sale of Cemetery Lot		10.00
General Interest:		
Interest on Savings	92.55	
Interest on Taxes	1,308.96	
Demands	4.90	
Interest on Motor Vehicles	300.71	
Interest on Library Funds	291.08	
Interest on Memorial Funds	141.56	
	<hr/>	2,139.76

— Town Accountant

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Unclassified:

Sale Tax Titles	890.93
Excess on Tax Title Sale	95.11
Sale of Tax Possessions	925.00
Commission on Phone Booth	56.85

1,967.89

Total Commercial Revenue

\$51,440.50

Municipal Indebtedness

75,000.00

Agency Trust and Investment:

Dog Sale for County	3.00
Dog Licenses for County	758.00
East Brimfield Dam Project	540.50
Federal Withholding	9,768.63
State Withholding	1,307.68
County Retirement	999.23

13,377.04

Refunds

514.74

Cash in Savings

4,447.67

Cash on Hand January 1, 1965

120,672.56

TOTAL

\$634,886.82

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator:

Salary	\$ 50.00
Travel	13.75

\$ 63.75

Selectmen:

Salaries	950.00
Clerk	300.00

1,250.00

Expenses :		
Telephone	217.70	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	73.43	
Auto Hire and Expense	111.82	
All Other	282.60	
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		685.55
Accountant:		
Salary		1,200.00
Expenses :		
Printing, Postage and Stationery	45.86	
All Other	10.00	
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		55.86
Treasurer:		
Salary		650.00
Expenses :		
Printing, Postage and Stationery	213.18	
Surety Bond	152.00	
Certificates and Deeds	66.00	
All Other	10.20	
		<hr/>
		441.38
Tax Collector:		
Salary		600.00
Expenses :		
Fees	36.00	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	180.10	
Surety Bond	142.00	
All Other	399.40	
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		757.50
Assessors :		
Salaries	900.00	
Clerk	300.00	
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		1,250.00

Expenses:

Printing, Postage and Stationery	229.24
Auto Hire and Travel	140.00
All Other	26.45

 395.69

Other Finance Offices and Accounts:

Certifying Notes	4.00
Finance Committee (Dues, Travel, Expense)	45.00

Town Counsel: 100.00

Town Clerk

Salary 350.00

Expenses:

Recording Fees	92.00
Printing, Postage, Stationery	90.37
Surety Bond	10.00
All Other	51.50

 243.87

Election and Registration:

Registrars	47.50
Election Officers	100.02
Printing, Postage and Stationery	98.43
Street List	185.00
All Other	9.60

 440.55

Planning Board:

Advertising 191.76

Town Hall:

Janitor	900.00
Roof Repair	2,240.50
Fuel	1,021.48
Light	196.60
Janitor Supplies	170.05

Repairs	663.94
All Other	195.42

 5,387.99

 Total General Government

 \$14,062.90

 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department:

Wages	329.89
Equipment and Repairs	49.75
All Other	20.26

 399.90

Fire Department:

Chief	200.00
Payroll	1,382.00
Equipment and Repairs (Apparatus)	994.17
Gasoline and Oil	265.67
Fuel	310.91
Rent	795.00
Printing, Postage & Stationery	5.00
Telephone	235.60
Insurance	1,281.39
Dues	10.00
Permits	75.00
Alarm Transfer	6.00

 5,560.74

Civil Defense:

Salary	100.00
Parts and Repairs	32.80
Food	14.91
Printing, Postage and Stationery	68.88

 216.59

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary	75.00	
Auto Expenses	20.00	
Equipment	8.06	
	<hr/>	103.06

Tree Warden:

Salary	25.00	
Labor	200.60	
Hired Equipment	265.18	
Comp. Insurance	9.03	
	<hr/>	499.81

Moth Suppression:

Labor	209.55	
Insecticides (Spraying)	550.00	
Travel & Maps	26.38	
	<hr/>	785.93

Total Protection of Persons & Property	<hr/> <hr/>	\$7,566.03
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Other Protection of Persons and Property

Dog Officer Services (From Selectmen Account)	475.00
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Health and Sanitation:

Salaries	150.00	
Other Expenses	123.35	
Medicine and Attendance	111.66	
Tests	4.35	
Care of Dump	617.75	
Advertising	6.00	
Animal Inspection	105.10	
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Total Health and Sanitation	<hr/> <hr/>	1,118.21
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HIGHWAYS

Highway General

Bridge Repair:

Wages	1,010.59
Town Trucks	741.66
Hired Equipment	286.00
Culverts	890.00
Comp. Insurance	45.47

 2,973.72

Snow Removal:

Wages	2,893.02
Town Trucks	4,227.30
Hired Equipment	357.91
Salt	376.20
Sand	750.00
Comp. Insurance	130.19

 8,734.62

Total General Highway

 11,708.34

Highway

Chapter 81

Wages	5,883.80
Trucks	5,251.26
Gravel, Stone, Oil, etc.	6,396.36
Equipment and Repairs	2,155.98
Clerk	207.50
Comp. Insurance	264.75

 20,159.65

Highway

Chapter 90 Maint. 1963

Wages	117.80
Town Trucks	45.75
Comp. Insurance	5.30

 168.85

Chapter 90 Maint. 1965

Wages	221.00
Town Trucks	127.20
Hired Equipment	64.00
Posts	400.00
Oiling	5,702.76
Painting	960.00
Advertising	5.00
Clerk	10.00
Comp. Insurance	9.94

 7,499.90

Highway

Chapter 90 Construction 1963

Wages	3,779.62
Town Trucks	4,735.04
Hired Equipment	4,528.35
Clerk	150.00
Comp. Insurance	170.04
Lumber, Curbing, Culverts, Oiling, Blasting, Hired Tools, Posts, Sand, etc.	2,698.25

 16,061.40

Highway

Chapter 90 Construction 1964

Wages	48.40
Hired Equipment	126.75
Posts, Oil, Culverts	256.52
Clerk	10.00
Comp. Insurance	2.18

 443.85

Highway

Chapter 90 Construction 1965

Advertising	5.00
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Highway

Chapter 822 Sutcliffe Rd.

Wages	861.28
Town Trucks	440.80
Sand and Gravel	50.00
Comp. Insurance	38.76

 1,390.84

Highway

John Haley and Paige Hill Rd.

Wages	77.00
Hired Equipment	1,413.50
Sand and Gravel	308.50
Culverts	207.48

 2,006.48

Highway

Adams and Hillcrest Drive

Wages	113.15
Town Trucks	218.03
Hired Equipment	205.66
Sand and Gravel	58.00
Comp. Insurance	5.09

 599.93

Machinery Account:

Wages	583.20
Telephone	165.00
Rent	1,200.00
Parts and Repairs	3,436.54
Gas & Oil	1,485.82
Fuel and Light	658.12
Comp. Insurance	26.25
Insurance	427.05
Diesel Fuel Permits	6.00
All Other	6.71

 7,994.69

Street Lighting		
Streets	1,876.58	
Telephone Booth	23.44	
	<hr/>	1,900.02
Purchase Used Town Truck		2,900.00
Purchase Town Sander		2,850.00
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Total Highway		75,688.95
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Charities and Soldiers Benefits		
Board Salaries		150.00
Public Welfare:		
Groceries and Provisions	145.00	
Medicine and Medical Attendance	271.83	
	<hr/>	416.83
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Cash Aid		17,033.33
Old Age Assistance:		
Cash Aid		15,100.52
Medical Assistance for Aged:		
Cash Aid		12,043.34
Veterans Benefits		3,194.60
Veterans Service District		700.00
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Total Charities and Soldiers Benefits		48,638.62
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SCHOOLS

General Administration:	
School Committee Salaries	300.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,501.39
Clerks	2,094.34
Truant Officer	75.00
Printing, Postage & Stationery	102.59
Telephone	389.56
Travel	221.40
School Census	50.00

Supt. Office Rent	228.48	
All Other	405.37	
	<hr/>	5,368.13
Teachers Salaries:	51,679.81	
Substitutes	1,052.00	
	<hr/>	52,731.81
Text Books and Supplies:		
Text and Reference Books	1,082.61	
Special Education	1,870.74	
All Other	2,548.91	
	<hr/>	5,502.26
Transportation:		
High	22,731.15	
Elementary	9,053.01	
	<hr/>	31,784.16
Trade School:		
Transportation:		
Springfield	240.80	
Worcester	158.40	
	<hr/>	399.20
Tuition:		
Springfield	1,685.15	
Worcester	234.60	
Southbridge	24.00	
Holyoke	440.00	
	<hr/>	2,383.75
Janitors Services:		
Elementary	5,944.52	
Office	23.18	
	<hr/>	5,967.70

Fuel and Lights		2,420.78
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds:		
Repairs	1,537.65	
Janitors Supplies	753.71	
All Other	336.00	
	<hr/>	2,627.36
Other Expenses:		
Furniture	243.95	
Miscellaneous Printing	26.04	
Insurance	11.24	
	<hr/>	281.23
School Health:		
Physician	208.00	
Nurse	814.00	
Misc. Travel	190.24	
	<hr/>	1,212.24
Tantasqua Regional School District		126,601.40
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Total Schools		237,280.02
School Lunches:		
Wages	3,425.00	
Food	4,462.74	
Other	289.14	
	<hr/>	8,176.88
School Building Committee		2,728.22

LIBRARY

Librarian	1,200.00
Assistant Librarians	347.65
Janitor's Services	324.00
Books	918.39
Periodicals	150.37
Binding Books	124.61

Binding Periodicals	12.97	
Fuel	351.27	
Light	149.57	
Repairs	43.50	
Furniture	5.67	
Care of Grounds	13.50	
Janitor's Supplies	.60	
Stationery and Postage	40.43	
Printing	65.20	
Telephone	69.53	
All Other	8.44	
		3,825.70
Sherman Memorial Library Room		1,659.71

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Town Common	278.51	
Swimming Program	160.00	
Memorial Day	234.39	
County Aid to Agriculture	100.00	
Town Reports	760.60	
Blanket Fire Insurance	1,607.18	
Compensation Insurance	1,084.82	
Annuities	150.00	
County Retirement System	1,006.00	
State Census	151.65	
		5,533.15

CEMETERIES

Labor	873.00	
Equipment	960.07	
Gas and Oil	21.95	
All Other	14.00	
		1,869.02
Margaret Dunsmore Memorial Cemetery Wall		3,617.80

INTEREST

Revenue Loan	1,132.08
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loan	75,000.00
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AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Municipal Audit Tax	490.28	
Recreation Area Assessment	951.20	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	192.15	
County Tax	8,011.63	
Dog Licenses for County	760.25	
Dog Sale for County	3.00	
Federal Withholding	10,001.66	
State Withholding	1,326.59	
County Retirement System	953.83	
Brimfield-Holland Welfare Dist.	767.96	
Tax Possession Sale and Deeds	98.00	
Stabilization Fund	10,000.00	
East Brimfield Dam Project	540.50	
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		34,097.05

REFUNDS

Taxes	695.11	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,145.56	
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		1,840.67
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Total Payments		524,317.01
Cash in Savings	4,447.67	
Cash in Bank	106,129.14	
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Total Cash Balance December 31, 1965		110,576.81
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Total		634,886.82
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TOWN APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

	Other Source	From Approp.	Total	Expended	Balance
Moderator	—	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	63.75	\$ 6.25
Selectmen	\$ 10.55	2,400.00	2,410.55	2,410.55	—
Town Accountant	—	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,255.86	44.14
Town Treasurer	—	1,173.00	1,173.00	1,091.38	81.62
Tax Collector	—	1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.50	—
Assessors	—	1,625.00	1,625.00	1,595.69	29.31
Town Clerk	—	600.00	600.00	593.87	6.13
Finance Committee	—	75.00	75.00	45.00	30.00
Certifying Notes	—	20.00	20.00	4.00	16.00
Town Counsel	—	100.00	100.00	100.00	—
Planning Board	—	450.00	450.00	191.76	258.24
Election and Registration	—	455.00	455.00	440.55	14.45
Town Hall	149.50	3,000.00	3,149.50	3,147.49	2.01
Town Hall Roof — Repair	—	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,240.50	9.50
Police Dept.	—	400.00	400.00	399.90	.10
Fire Dept.	14.00	6,050.00	6,064.00	5,560.74	503.26
Tree Warden	—	500.00	500.00	499.81	.19

	Other Source	From Approp.	Total	Expended	Balance
Moth Suppression	—	800.00	800.00	785.93	14.07
Sealer	—	103.50	103.50	103.06	.44
Civil Defense	310.95	250.00	560.95	216.59	344.36
Health Dept.	—	1,050.00	1,050.00	500.46	549.54
Care of Dump	—	750.00	750.00	617.75	132.25
General Highway	—	12,000.00	12,000.00	11,708.34	291.66
Chapt. 81	17,600.00	2,560.00	20,160.00	20,159.65	.35
Chapt. 90 M.	5,000.00	2,500.00	7,500.00	7,499.90	.10
Chapt. 90 C.	15,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00	5.00	19,995.00
Adams Drive	—	600.00	600.00	599.93	.07
Town Garage Plan	—	1,000.00	1,000.00	—	1,000.00
John Haley and Paige Hill Rd.	—	2,011.00	2,011.00	2,006.48	4.52
Street Lighting	—	1,950.00	1,950.00	1,900.02	49.98
Veterans Benefits	394.60	2,800.00	3,194.60	3,194.60	—
Veterans Serv. Dist.	—	700.00	700.00	700.00	—
Public Assistance	493.79	25,000.00	25,493.79	24,166.04	1,327.75
School	\$ 79.40	\$108,895.18	\$108,974.58	\$107,895.67	\$1,078.91
Trade School					
Tuition and					
Transportation	—	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,782.95	217.05

	Other Source	From Approp.	Total	Expended	Balance
Tantasqua R.H.S.	—	126,601.40	126,601.40	126,601.40	—
School Bldg. Com.	—	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,728.22	1,271.78
Library	1,328.20	2,500.00	3,828.20	3,825.70	2.50
Common	—	400.00	400.00	278.51	121.49
Property Ins.	—	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,607.18	92.82
Workmens Comp.	548.08	536.74	1,084.82	1,084.82	—
Town Reports	—	760.60	760.60	760.60	—
Memorial Day	—	280.00	280.00	234.39	45.61
County Aid to Agriculture	—	100.00	100.00	100.00	—
State Census	—	200.00	200.00	151.65	48.35
County Retirement	—	1,006.00	1,006.00	1,006.00	—
Annuities	—	150.00	150.00	150.00	—
Interest	—	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,132.08	867.92
Reserve Fund	—	2,000.00	2,000.00	705.15	1,294.85
Cemetery	—	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,869.02	130.98
M. Dunsmore Mem. Cemetery Wall	2,200.00	3,000.00	5,200.00	3,617.80	1,582.20
Totals	\$43,129.07	\$340,029.92	\$383,158.99	\$351,693.24	\$31,465.75

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD, MASS.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash in Bank	\$106,129.14	Temporary Loans:	
Cash in Savings	4,447.67	In Anticipation of Revenue	\$50,000.00
	<hr/>	Payroll Deductions:	
	\$110,576.81	Federal Taxes	882.54
Accts. Receivable:		State Taxes	126.81
Taxes:		County Retirement	146.91
Levy of 1958	9.12		<hr/>
Personal Property	58.14		1,156.26
Real Estate			
Levy of 1959	40.00	Overestimated Assessments:	
Personal Property	121.25	State Recreation	155.90
Real Estate		County Tax	528.93
Levy of 1960	32.00		<hr/>
Poll	79.80		684.83
Personal Property	80.94		24.75
Real Estate			95.11
Levy of 1961	30.00		117.04
Poll	88.20		70.00
Personal Property	294.22		1,950.00
Real Estate			
		Dog Licenses for County	
		Tax Title Sale Excess	
		War Memorial Gift	
		Sale of Cemetery Lot Fund	
		Sale of Real Estate Fund	

Levy of 1962			Receipts reserved for	
Poll	50.00		Appropriation:	
Personal Property	70.37		Road Machinery Fund	4,656.28
Real Estate	382.35		Compensation Ins.	682.97
Levy of 1963				
Poll	68.00			
Personal Property	147.70		Tailings	5,339.25
Real Estate	3,202.18		Reserve Fund — Overlay	170.30
Levy of 1964			Surplus	62.67
Personal Property	148.24		Overlays Reserved for	
Real Estate	7,230.46		Abatements	
Levy of 1965			Levy of 1962	2,567.64
Personal Property	733.97		Levy of 1963	2,415.02
Real Estate	36,411.50		Levy of 1964	3,050.22
		49,278.44		8,032.88
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise			Revenue Reserved — Until Collected	
Levy of 1958	\$ 38.41		Motor Veh. & Trailer	
Levy of 1959	160.91		Excise	\$19,730.20
Levy of 1960	1,005.41		Farm Animal Excise	118.01
Levy of 1961	1,239.30		Classified Forest Land	
Levy of 1962	1,536.44		Special Tax	259.27
Levy of 1963	1,939.21		Tax Title & Possessions	5,948.97
Levy of 1964	4,116.06		Departmental	5,409.43
Levy of 1965	9,694.46		Aid to Highways	34,529.63
		19,730.20		
				65,995.51

Farm Animal Excise					
Levy of 1963	31.50				
Levy of 1964	28.13				
Levy of 1965	58.38				
					118.01
Classified Forest Land Taxes					
Levy of 1960	19.38				
Levy of 1962	.93				
Levy of 1963	3.85				
Levy of 1964	29.58				
Levy of 1965	205.53				
Tax Titles and Possessions					
Tax Titles	5,730.01				
Tax Possession	218.96				
Departmental:					
Aid to Dependent Children	1,424.09				
Old Age Assist.	1,217.99				
Veterans Bene.	2,767.35				
					5,409.43
Federal Grants:					
Disability Assistance	212.26				
Aid to Dep. Children	43.07				
Old Age Assistance	204.33				
Medical Aid to Aged	979.97				
					1,439.63
State Grants:					
1963 Chapt. 822					
Loan Fund					
Center School Bldg.					
Const. Fund					
Aid to Libraries					
Open Account Balance:					
Civil Defense	344.36				
Chap. 90 — Const. 1965	19,995.00				
Chap. 90 — Const. 1964	19,556.15				
Chap. 91 — Stream 1962	1,000.00				
Machinery Account	51.80				
Used Truck Purc. Acct.	3,500.00				
Sander Purch. Acct.	2,950.00				
Garage & Fire Station Plans	1,000.00				
National Def. Edu.	762.35				
School Bldg. Com.	1,271.78				
School Lunch Prog.	36.06				
Sherman Mem. Library					
					259.27
					5,948.97

Aid to Highways		Room Acct.	14,170.29
State	28,514.25	Margaret Dunsmore	
County	13,515.38	Memorial Cemetery	
		Wall Account	1,582.20
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Underestimated			66,219.99
Assessments			
County Hospital	16.65	Surplus Revenue	
1965 Overlay	462.91	Current Year	23,751.07
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			\$233,830.32
		Harriet Harding Cemetery Fund	3,458.71
		Harriet Allen School Fund	1,136.06
		Mary Burns School Fund	1,499.65
		Library Funds	
		Mary Hyde	831.50
		Ursala Shaw	2,856.01
		Endocia Flynt	103.52
		Albert Tarbell	200.00
		Julia Coy	645.04
		Elizabeth Robinson	411.41
		Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00
		Emily Woods	500.00
		Mary Burns	1,000.00
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			7,547.48
		James O. Lincoln	
		Library Building	4,166.44
		Chamberlain-Smith Historical Fund	872.08

Florence Pearsall Monument Fence Fund	166.88
Francis Bliss Cemetery Gate Fund	55.32
Cemetery Wall Fund	403.85
Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fund	564.01
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	34,008.97
Stabilization Fund	27,073.63
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	\$80,953.08

Trust and Investment Funds:
Cash and Securities:
In Custody of Treasurer

\$80,953.08

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The renovation project on the town hall is progressing satisfactorily. This year a new roof was installed, the selectmen's office was paneled, the floors were cleaned and a sealer applied by the custodian. Hall runners were purchased and installed. For the coming year, we hope the voters will approve the article to have the outside of the building painted.

The Chapter 90 Construction at the bridge approaches on the Brimfield-Monson Road has been completed. The Selectmen felt the bridge was sufficient as it was, although the State wished to have the same replaced at a cost of well over \$30,000.00. We appreciate the cooperation and patience of the residents of Brimfield in waiting for this part of the road to be completed. The eastern end of the road is now under construction but will be completed in 1966.

The Holland-East Brimfield Road between the two sections replaced by the relocation project, and a section of the Hollow Road, are now being surveyed by the State Department for Chapter 90 construction in 1966 and will soon be under construction for improvement on these dangerous areas.

The long needed repairs and widening of the John Haley Road have been started and the Paige Hill Rd. has been repaired and widened, at the upper part, as approved in an article at the Town Meeting on October 4, 1965.

The used truck and new sander voted and approved at the special meeting October 4, 1965, have been purchased and are in use at this time.

For the 1966 Annual Town Meeting, the article on the improvement of lights in the center of town is felt to be a necessary expenditure and will add much to the safety of pedestrians walking or crossing this heavily travelled area.

The Selectmen and Highway Surveyor have considered a project on the St. Claire Road at the intersection of Dunhamtown-Brimfield Rd., for the expenditure of \$10,986.36 allocated by the Federal Government through the State to Brimfield under Chapters 822 and 679. Some 500 feet of hazardous road would be replaced at this area, eliminating the danger spot for school busses, emergency vehicles and all other vehicles. This project must first be approved by the State and then by a vote of the Town.

The Board feels the time has come that the town should build a Fire Station and Highway Barn for the housing of town equipment, and ask your support of Article 28.

The Board of Selectmen appreciate the fact that the various departments operated within their budgets. Only one special town meeting was held and extra expenses were kept to a minimum. We wish to thank the town officers, committees, employees and residents for their cooperation during the year 1965.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard C. Allen, Chairman

Theodore W. Skowyra

Frank B. Haley

AMBULANCE SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1965

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year as follows:

The Department had calls from 48 local residents, including accidents. There were 25 out of town calls from Wales and Holland, with a total of 73 calls and 1443 miles of driving during the year.

The Ambulance Service has had a busy year, almost double from the previous year, and has proved its worth during the day as well as at night. For outlying areas having no resident physician, such as Brimfield, Wales and Holland, the ambulance provides very necessary medical security.

The Fire Department staged an Annual Supper in February, Firemen's Dance in April, Easter Special in April and Lawn Party in July, from which all proceeds received were used to help defray the expenses of the Ambulance Service. These projects are very necessary since the ambulance is not self-supporting.

Residents are transported free of charge to the Palmer, Southbridge, Stafford Springs and Ware Hospitals, and only a nominal charge is made for transportation to other institutions involving a greater driving distance.

The members of the Department who hold a certificate for the Advanced First Aid Course were very helpful during the past year, and I wish to state that anyone who wishes to be a part of the team may do so by contacting the department.

During the year the department received sheets and blankets given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nichols for the ambulance.

At this point, I would like to stress that whenever in need of the Ambulance Service, please dial Churchill 5-7222. Also, may we request your cooperation, especially when the ambulance is needed at a home located off the main road, by having someone stationed at the main road to lead the ambulance. Calls are frequently received from roads that are unmarked, and even those marked are difficult to read at night. Many valuable minutes have been lost in seeking directions, even in the daytime, and no driver knows the exact location of all the roads in the three towns serviced. Even on a main road, the front porch light on and someone stationed outside the house to flag the ambulance down can often save valuable time.

Hoping for everyone's consideration during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE, Secretary

BRIMFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

1965 Report
OF THE
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture
OF THE
Hampden County Improvement League
BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Primary emphasis in all agricultural projects during the past year has been the improvement in the management capabilities of interested farmers in the Hampden County area. Agents in Hampden County assisted farmers through meetings, circular letters and individual farm visits throughout the year.

Requests for specific information available from agents at all times.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 87 boys and girls enrolled in 8 different projects offered. 21 local leaders assisted the county agents and state extension specialists in conducting the projects. The leaders incurred expenses totalling \$40.18.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 10 women attended 3 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 5 local leaders assisted by the county home demonstration agents and the state extension specialists. There were 3 different projects offered. The leaders incurred expenses totalling \$9.46.

The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of Brimfield.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1965 Appropriation	\$100.00
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1964 Unexpended Balance	10.86
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Total Available for 1965	110.86
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Total Expenditure in 1965	49.64
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Total Available for 1966	61.22
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Recommended Appropriation for 1966	50.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

By ALBERT H. FULLER, Clerk

BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT — 1965

During 1965, the Brimfield Public Library has made available its many services to all in the community who wish to make use of them. The following statistics, while indicating the number of books and periodicals borrowed, are by no means a measure of the service offered and used. There was a circulation of 7,801 titles, 4,468 to adults and young adults, 3,333 to boys and girls, plus 136 books loaned to the Elementary School. The latter were used 568 times during the Spring semester, no statistics being available for the Fall semester, since there is no longer a teacher-librarian in the school. There were in all 8,505 books and periodicals circulated from or through the Library. A total of 4,147 persons — 1,643 adults and young adults and 2,504 boys and girls — used the Library in 1965.

About 400 new books have been catalogued, a special effort this year being made to have new titles ready for loaning within a week from the time of their receipt. Many worn books have been rebound, and books no longer useful have been withdrawn. Plastic covers on nearly all new books, too, have helped to make the book collection more attractive physically.

There has been an expansion in the services and use of the Central Regional Library at Worcester and Fitchburg. In addition to the regular inter-library loan use of the resources of these and other libraries, Brimfield now has a Bookmobile which pays a monthly visit to the Library, making it possible for the Librarian to select such titles as she wishes and to have them on the shelves in a matter of minutes. In 1965, Brimfield borrowed 312 books from Worcester, 125 came from the Bookmobile, 140 were borrowed in answer to specific requests of individuals, 47 were added to the

basic collection. You are urged to ask for books, either by subject or title, which you do not find in your library.

A film service is available through Central Regional System. Lists of films were mailed earlier in the year to most local organizations and clubs. The range of films and film strips is wide enough to reach most interests. Lists may be obtained at, and films booked through your Library. There is no charge for this service which is offered both to groups and individuals.

The installation of a telephone in the Library makes it possible for borrowers to request inter-library loans or films, to renew books, or make inquiries concerning any library materials.

Work with the schools has been a great satisfaction. Many books on Tantasqua reading lists have been purchased in paperback editions, and our supply of periodicals has been of much help in preparation of term papers. Inter-library loans for Senior High School students have supplemented our own library collection.

In August, Mr. Arthur Bush and the Librarian went to the Division of Library Extension in Boston and selected more than 350 books for the Elementary School. Since the issuing agency no longer makes school loans through the local library, assigning the books to classrooms has posed a problem. Therefore the books were brought to the Library, made into collections supplemented by titles from the Library. This cooperation between school and library made sure that boys and girls were in no way deprived of the use of library books in the Elementary School.

All elementary classes have visited the Library twice, some three times during 1965. Included was the Kindergarten from Hitchcock Community Center. Younger boys and girls listened to stories, signed for

library cards, and took out books, while some of the older groups were instructed in the use of the Catalog and Periodical Indexes. All have been given browsing periods.

In celebration of National Book Week in April and May, classes from the Elementary School filled the Library with posters, peep-show boxes and other materials pertaining to books, as participation in the Book Week Contest. Prize books were awarded to the pupil in each class having the best entry, the prizes being awarded when the class visited the Library. At Christmas time the classes decorated the Library, making it colorful and bright for the Christmas season. One pupil made a beautiful Christmas wreath for the Children's Room window.

The Librarian has attended various library conferences, workshops and committee meetings, finding that contact with other librarians with problems similar to those in Brimfield was very helpful. Perhaps the most fruitful of these was the meeting together of librarians from towns whose pupils attend Tantasqua with the Librarian there and the heads of departments. We came to a much better understanding of our common problems and responsibilities.

The Library has had many gifts this year. An out-of-town friend gave draperies for the windows in the Children's Room. Another local borrower gives detective stories each month. Beautifully photographed maps of Brimfield, 1855, have been presented to the Library. The Garden Club made the handsome Christmas wreath for the front door - their annual gift. Sally Prescott, now a Sixth Grader, has completed more than 100 hours of service in less than two years, and several other boys and girls from Grade Three to Grade Nine have given much-needed help.

No more lasting memorial to a friend or member of a family can be made than the placing of a book in the Library. One such memorial was a complete set of the Laura Wilder books, great favorites with boys and girls, to be placed on the juvenile fiction shelves. Perhaps one of the most outstanding gifts has been the presentation of certain books in very large type — placed there by friends and family of a reader who had great difficulty finding large type books. These are a new departure in publishing and printing. They vary in scope from **Profiles in Courage** to **Midsummer Night's Dream**, ten titles having been published thus far. Because of their attractive format fully sighted readers are borrowing them as well as are those needing larger type. They will bring much pleasure to readers for many years to come.

During the year 1965, the Brimfield Library received the largest gift since the presentation of its present building by James Danielson Lincoln in 1904. At the Annual Town meeting the Town voted "to accept from Miss Margaret Sherman a gift of \$15,000 for the construction of an addition to the Brimfield Library, to be known as the Sherman Memorial Room, which would be used to house historical records and documents, to provide facilities for their use and to serve other purposes as may be deemed appropriate by the Library Trustees". The Town also passed a vote of thanks to Miss Sherman for her generous gift, and authorized the Library Trustees to spend the funds for the purpose specified. Miss Sherman later increased the amount of her gift to \$20,000.

As this report is written, the construction of the Sherman Memorial Room is well under way and it is hoped that it will be completed and ready for use sometime in the Spring.

The Library, its Trustees and Librarian wish to thank those who have given generously of time, books and money.

The Librarian is most grateful to the Library Trustees for their cooperation and understanding. The part they play in the successful administration of the Library is far too often unrecognized.

The Library is open:

Wednesday	2:00 - 5:30 P.M.	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.
Thursday	1:30 - 5:30 P.M.	
Saturday	2:00 - 5:30 P.M.	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

The Library telephone number is 245-3518.

You are urged to make use of all the services, this, your Library, offers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ROBERT STREETER

Librarian

REPORT OF THE LINCOLN-DANIELSON LIBRARY FUND TRUSTEES

During the year 1965 nothing was spent from the fund, which increased from \$4,020.07 at the beginning of the year, to \$4,166.09 at the end of the year.

ROGER W. BENNETT

EVERETT D. LANDEN

CHENEY F. NEWTON

Trustees

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

The Brimfield Police have traveled over 5,600 miles in 1965 to patrol the highways in the town. The 18 police officers have been on duty over 2,250 hours on nights, Sundays and holidays as well as being called out on emergencies such as accidents. These men have been compensated approximately sixteen (16¢) cents per hour. They have outfitted themselves at their own expense. Seventy-six (76) violations have been written up as a result of these patrols, ranging from minor violations to racing, bearing penalties from warning to revoking of licenses and registration plates, and court convictions. Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, Massachusetts State Police and Police Departments from surrounding towns have cooperated fully with the Brimfield Police Department.

Through the efforts of these men, accidents have been kept to a minimum. I also wish to commend the youth of Brimfield for their cooperation with the police this year.

I wish to thank the police officers for their cooperation and untiring efforts during the year 1965.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. ALLEN

Chief of Police

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Raised by taxation	\$ 314,748.92
Appropriated from Available Funds	53,289.34
State Parks and Reservations	1,028.85
Audit of Municipal Accounts	490.28
County Tax	8,652.92
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	192.15
Overlay of Current Year	6,009.14
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Gross Amount to be Raised	\$ 384,411.60
Available Funds & Estimated Receipts	\$ 185,592.72
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$ 198,818.88

TAX RATE — \$39.00 per M

Personal Property Valuation	\$ 418,260.00
Real Estate Valuation	\$4,679,660.00
Total Valuation	\$5,097,920.00
Classified Forest Land Tax	\$ 1,157.52
Farm Animal Excise Tax	\$ 188.21
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$ 35,442.11

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

JOHN M. HALEY

ANDREW W. GONDEK

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The year 1965 was a year of increased public concern for the Great Society — for those whose income is considered too small to adequately support a family. Federal legislation and funds were made available for study groups, for planning boards and for the purpose of setting up projects to retrain and/or educate our indigent and poor. In public assistance, for example, there has been a great deal of liberalization of the existing rules and regulations, especially in the category of Aid to Families with Dependent Children. Every and any service available which could help these families in their socio-economic struggles is offered. Financial grants, exemptions on earned income, youth projects, educational advantages, plus medical services are among the many which can be obtained from this and every agency of Public Assistance in the State.

It is this category of assistance which is constantly being castigated by newspaper and “know-it-all” reporters as being loaded with cheats and immoral recipients. A recent Federal survey showed that Massachusetts Public Welfare agencies had one of the lowest occurrences of fraud and misrepresentation of claims in the entire country. The reason for this is that the staffs of our agencies know the people of their communities, and thoroughly investigate all applications. The personal touch is vital, not only in dealing with the clients, but in working out the problems as they occur, and where they occur, and in knowing the local resources they can rely upon for help. Public Welfare agencies offer these people help, guidance and financial assistance.

Significant changes in society have had an impact on the older person. These changes are the result

of changes in cultural factors, increased longevity, and economical factors relating to retirement associated with reduced incomes. If public welfare is to serve as a proper repository of society's concern for the general welfare of its members, it must continue to plan definitely and constructively for the needs of its older population. Public Welfare agencies must assume responsibility through their own efforts and resources and through coordinated efforts of community planning and facilities to provide satisfying living to the added years of the aging. They must also plan and provide assistance and care to meet the specific needs as they might develop.

Aging as a biological, psychological and social process brings about changes in the individual and in the situation in which he lives. These changes may include lack of or reduced incomes, increased degrees of dependency on family or others, changes in housing and living conditions, and finally, reduced activity and waning health. The kind of adjustment he makes depends a great deal on his own personality and experience, income, and upon the services provided by the community to keep and help him attain satisfying standards of life and health. These are an adequate income, preservation of health, satisfactory housing, and the need for maintaining and preserving family and neighborhood relationships. We try to help our clients achieve and maintain these standards in our daily work with them.

Medical Aid to the Aged, our newest category of assistance is just that — aid for those who can adequately live within their limited incomes but need assistance for medical services. It allows these people to live out their years without the added burden of worrying about excessive medical expenses.

We aided an average of 46 persons per month during the year in all our five categories of assistance. The advent of the Federal Medi-Care program may have a significant effect on our caseload for 1966, and on our appropriations.

To those friends, anonymous donors, organizations, social groups and stores who so generously gave money and gifts for our Brimfield, Holland, Wales "community chest" at Christmas, I wish to thank sincerely. Your generosity was so very much appreciated by the beneficiaries of your good will.

ALBERT R. DUPSHA

Director of Public Welfare

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH, Chairman

Board of Public Welfare

HOMER PARKER, Clerk

TIMOTHY J. DENNING

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

My appointment was made in March by the Selectmen for the ensuing year, since which time I have attended several meetings at Civil Defense Headquarters in Wilbraham.

Some Civil Defense personnel attended classes with the Fire Department on Advanced First Aid. Classes were held at the Academy, with Mr. Richard C. Allen and Mr. Alfred Wigglesworth as instructors.

Shortly before the first of the year Sector 4A Headquarters moved from Wilbraham to their new quarters in the basement of the Ludlow Hospital. The new equipment will improve net control and communications.

During the blackout last Fall, Brimfield was in continual contact with Civil Defense Headquarters by radio, thanks to the emergency generator at the Town Hall.

Your director, with the help of Mr. William Linahand, director of Sector 4A produced a book on emergency procedure in case of nuclear attack in this area. The book will be distributed to local department heads, and one of the copies will be at the disposal of the townspeople at the Library.

Your CD Director wishes to thank all for their help and cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. KENNETH SILVIUS

Director of Civil Defense

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Board of Selectmen

Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I, Alfred Wigglesworth, submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures, for the year 1965.

Gasolene Pumps	18
Spring Scales	3
Computing Scales	1
Platform Scales	1
Kerosene Pump	1
Avoirdupois Weights	6

According to a new law passed this year, these duties will be taken over by a State Sealer from now on. Thanking you for your cooperation and consideration.

Yours Respectfully,

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH

Sealer of Weights & Measures

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen:

During the year 1965 I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 26 dogs; disposed of 30 dogs, 3 dogs hit on highway, 1 disposed of as owner was in hospital. I have investigated 12 complaints: 3 dogs bothering children at play, 2 dogs barking at night, 6 dogs had bitten people and 1 dog had bitten another dog.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MOREAU

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

My appointment as Fire Chief was made in March 1965 by the Selectmen for the ensuing year. Last summer we had one bad forest fire at Breakneck Hill; it burned over about 43 acres and it burned for four days and was patrolled for three days. This was from July 15th to July 21st. This fire was fought by 131 men which included Fire Depts. from Sturbridge, Wales, Holland, and our own Dept. State Warden Joe Sakaske and his men and others from surrounding towns also helped. The cost of this fire was very high.

Activities for the Dept. during 1965 are as follows:

Brush and Grass Fires	14
False Alarms	3
Chimney Fires	1
Dump Fire	1
House Fire	(total loss) 1
House Trailer	(total loss) 1
Assisted at Barn Fire in Wales	1
Car Fires	(2 total loss) 3

Permits are required for the following:

To install or alter—Fuel Oil and Gas Equipment

To Store—Fuel Oil and Gas

Permits must be obtained for all open fires at any time.

I wish to thank all the members of the Department that made the following possible.

We now have a red light in front of the Fire Station. Inside we have a flashing red light and a blackboard, also a map of the town to indicate the fire. We also painted and repaired the old Ford truck, we hope to use that for forest fires.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT H. GENDREAU

Fire Chief

BOARD OF HEALTH

In May, 1965 the Board of Health sponsored a program of Tine Tuberculosis Testing on all school children. There was 100% participation and no abnormal condition was found in any of the children tested. Each year it will only be necessary to test first grade children and new children that enter Brimfield schools that have not been previously tested.

A strip test for the detection of the presence of sugar which may indicate diabetes was instituted. There were 154 completed tests returned. The response of this program was not as great as hoped for as early detection of diabetes is important for the health of the child, as in positive cases treatment should be started without delay.

In September an Immunization Clinic was held at the Hitchcock Academy when whooping cough, tetanus and diphtheria immunizations, as well as vaccination against small-pox and immunization against polio was also given. This was carried out by Mary Lou Antonovich, R. N., under the supervision of Dr. John Rigatti, a Public Health Agent from Sturbridge. The cooperation and help that volunteers donated toward the Clinic is very much appreciated.

At this Clinic more adult citizens availed themselves for the vaccination and immunization program. There is a new immunization plan for 1966 at which time the parent or guardian will be asked to sign a release form before the immunization is started. These can be filled out at the clinic or obtained beforehand from the Board of Health.

Under the regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the following inspections

and issuing of licenses are being carried out by the Brimfield Board of Health:

1. Inspection of new septic tanks and field before covering.
2. Supervision of the care of the town dump.
3. Care of the town water supply.
4. Issuing of licenses for camps, cabins and trailer coach parks, camping sites, motels and day care centers.
5. Vehicle licenses for retail sale of dairy products and oleomargarine.
6. Inspection and approval of nursing and rest homes.

The structure covering the present water system is in need of a new roof and improvement of the ventilation of the structure covering the water supply. Some repair and excavation of the south end of the structure is necessary. An estimated cost of \$550.00 has been received for this work.

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

VIOLET G. LOUX

ROGER G. OSTERHELD, M. D.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance the resurfacing of the Brookfield Road was completed. In addition to this, 3,000 feet of resurfacing was done on the Warren Road — beginning at the Town Line and working toward the Center. The State has changed its policy — instead of beginning at the Center and working to the Town Line, they now begin at the Town Line and work toward the Center. Some oiling was done on the Holland Road under this Chapter also.

Under Chapter 81 the Little Rest Road was rebuilt and oiled. The John Haley Road was widened in several places, blasting was done, and new sections were oiled. Drainage, graveling, scraping, and brush cutting were continued.

Under Chapter 822 another section of Sutcliffe Road was widened and resurfaced. According to the wishes of the Town, Adams Way and Hillside Drive were widened and oiled.

Under Chapter 90 Construction the Monson Road was resurfaced near to the bridge. Guard rails were installed and berm was laid. Grading is well under way on the remainder of this road.

Under General Highways a new bridge was built on John Haley Road. Now that we have two sand trucks, we will make every effort to serve the Town well. As in the past please call me if you have any problems. With 64 miles of road, it would be helpful if the people would notify me of their road conditions either at 245-7223 or 245-9982.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Highway Surveyor and Highway Superintendent

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE 1965

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 92.26
John Stanton	59.58
Leo Lavigne	14.00
Robert Martin	3.80
Robert Hanna	3.50
George Boutwell	23.93
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	23.93
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	9.94
Robert Martin (chain saw)	64.00
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	10.00
John J. Hudson Inc.	212.76
Palmer Bituminous Corporation	5,490.00
Dev-a-Line Company	960.00
Norfolk Industries	400.00
Machinery Fund	127.20
Advertising	5.00
Total	<hr/> \$ 7,499.90

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE 1963

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 38.25
John Stanton	333.25
Robert Martin	32.30
Leo Lavigne	14.00
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	5.30
Machinery Fund	45.75
Total	<hr/> \$ 168.85

ADAMS WAY

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 28.13
John Stanton	21.88
Robert Hanna	21.88
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	20.63

George Boutwell	20.63
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	5.09
Harold Hitchcock (roller)	12.00
Harold Hitchcock (sand truck)	30.00
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	58.00
John J. Hudson Inc.	163.66
Machinery Fund	218.03
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Total	\$ 599.93

SUTCLIFFE ROAD — CHAPTER 822

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 214.31
Ervin Kettles	153.13
Robert Martin	167.13
John Stanton	167.13
Robert Hanna	35.00
George Boutwell	124.58
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	38.76
Machinery Fund	440.80
Stanley Karczmarczyk	50.00
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Total	\$ 1,390.84

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1963

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 1,438.91
John Stanton	1,107.13
Ervin Kettles	91.88
Joseph Dmuchovsky	181.51
George Boutwell	330.02
Robert Hanna	26.25
Kenneth Alberts	324.24
Robert Martin	60.80
Leo Lavigne	91.88
Richard Goddard	67.00
Stanton Bradway	60.00
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	170.04

Elizabeth Wells, clerk	150.00
Machinery Fund	4,735.04
Edward Artruc	128.00
Richard Lawrence	160.00
William Jurczyk	1,218.00
Harold Hitchcock (dozer)	2,842.00
Harold Hitchcock (roller)	12.00
Harold Hitchcock (backhoe)	323.00
Harold Hitchcock (sand truck)	133.75
John J. Hudson Inc.	575.91
Haley's Grain Store	18.75
Commonwealth of Mass. (Walpole)	193.92
Commonwealth of Mass. (Norfolk)	274.00
Howlett Lumber Company	57.97
Camosse Brothers	138.18
New England Metal Culvert	294.28
Donel Supply Company	211.08
Normand City Truck	3.40
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	130.00
Harold Hitchcock (berm curbing)	480.00
William Jurczyk	32.46
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Total	\$16,061.40
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CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1964

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 18.00
John Stanton	15.20
Robert Martin	15.20
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	2.18
Elizabeth Wells, clerk	10.00
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	160.00
New England Metal Culvert	80.52
Cement Well and Drain Tile Co.	12.00

D. B. Cotton, Inc.	4.00
Harold Hitchcock (trucks)	126.75
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Total	\$ 443.85

CHAPTER 81

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 1,717.93
Ervin Kettles	280.01
Robert Martin	224.01
Kenneth Alberts	79.20
John Stanton	1,489.19
Robert Hanna	197.75
Joseph Dmuchovsky	725.19
George Boutwell	944.64
Richard Goddard	8.00
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	264.75
Elizabeth Wells, clerk	207.50
Leo Lavigne	217.88
Palmer Bituminous Corporation	919.50
New England Metal Culvert	508.91
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	248.25
Harold Hitchcock (sand)	333.00
John J. Hudson Inc.	4,895.61
Machinery Fund	5,251.26
Harold Hitchcock (back hoe)	233.75
Harold Hitchcock (trucks)	57.00
Harold Hitchcock (sand trucks)	505.50
Harold Hitchcock (roller)	12.00
Harold Hitchcock (broom)	9.50
William Jurczyk (compressor, etc.)	272.79
Darwin Clark (mowing machine)	268.53
Walter Ciesla (gradal)	288.00
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Total	\$20,159.65

GENERAL HIGHWAY**SNOW**

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 1,252.13	
John Stanton	329.83	
Robert Martin	358.45	
Robert Hanna	245.88	
Dan Macumber	429.63	
Ervin Kettles	343.88	
Frank Dickinson, Jr.	24.00	
Clarence Lamothe	14.00	
Charles Sherman	36.00	
George Boutwell	79.20	
Poirier Brothers	150.00	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	146.84	
Harold Hitchcock (sand truck)	90.00	
Poirier Brothers (sand truck)	60.00	
Machinery Fund	4,825.94	
International Salt Company	376.20	
Harold Hitchcock (sand)	750.00	
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Total	\$ 9,511.98	\$ 9,511.98

BRIDGE

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 288.01
John Stanton	156.41
Kenneth Alberts	74.26
Robert Hanna	69.13
George Boutwell	26.40
Joseph Dmuchovsky, Jr.	26.40
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	28.82
Machinery Fund	350.93
Harold Hitchcock (back hoe)	153.00
Harold Hitchcock (dozer)	133.00

New England Metal Culvert	890.00	
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Total	\$ 2,196.36	\$ 2,196.36
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General Highway Total		\$11,708.34

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 267.75
Ervin Kettles	98.00
Dan Macumber	56.00
Robert Martin	35.00
John Stanton	80.00
Robert Hanna	19.25
George Boutwell	13.20
Leo Lavigne	14.00
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	26.25
William D. Spooner	427.05
Bureau of Excises	6.00
Dick's Radiator Shop	2.00
Sheeran Oil Company	68.78
Texaco Oil Company	7.74
Atlantic Refining Company	162.68
Magovern Company	30.13
Mobil Oil Company	1,038.06
Gulf Oil Company	274.04
United Petroleum, Inc.	1,200.00
Southbridge Tire Company	300.26
Tyler Equipment	373.48
Bousquet's Auto Parts	117.10
New England Telephone Company	165.00
Palmer Auto Parts	212.34
Lawrence Hastings	5.00
Roland A. Arbour	20.00
Clarence H. Knight	20.00

Monson Repair	287.00
Paquette Stationery	3.31
Sturbridge Auto Body	92.00
Newhouse Automotive Service	50.00
Red's Welding	38.00
Yahn Engineering Company	4.60
Springfield Mack	194.86
Graves Equipment	254.90
Tri Country Contractors	599.46
Normand's City Truck	3.40
Anderson Engineering	42.00
Massachusetts Electric	15.00
Norries Gulf	285.00
Donel Supply	196.74
Ferrara Springs	28.16
Gilman's Service	149.89
Brimfield Oil	649.34
Haley's Grain Store	61.92
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Total	\$7,994.69

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1965

Commitments as per warrant	\$199,549.74	
Abatements refunded	253.11	

199,802.85

Cash to Treasurer	\$140,808.86	
Cash in bank	14,360.35	
To Tax Title	750.36	
Abatements	6,550.05	

162,469.62 162,469.62

Outstanding December 31, 1965	\$ 37,333.23	
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1964

Outstanding January 1, 1965	\$19,119.54	
Abatements refunded	216.00	

19,335.54

Cash to Treasurer	\$15,267.53	
Cash in bank	461.79	
Abatements	144.00	

15,873.32 15,873.32

Outstanding December 31, 1965	\$ 3,462.22	
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1963

Outstanding January 1, 1965	\$7,442.05	
Abatements refunded	70.00	

7,512.05

Cash to Treasurer	\$4,721.17	
Cash in bank	463.75	
Abatements	140.00	
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	5,324.92	5,324.92

Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$2,187.13
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1962

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$2,746.79
Cash to Treasurer	\$2,593.64	
Cash in bank	96.72	
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	2,690.36	2,690.36

Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$ 56.43
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1961

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$657.42
Cash to Treasurer	\$291.70	291.70
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$365.72

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$240.34
Cash to Treasurer	\$45.60	
Cash in bank	51.30	
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	96.90	96.90

Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$143.44
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1959

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$161.25
Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$161.25

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$67.26
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$67.26
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Classified Forest Land

1965

Commitments as per warrant		\$1,162.59
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Cash to Treasurer	\$957.06	
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Cash in bank	49.14	
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$156.39
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1964

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$70.26
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Cash to Treasurer	\$35.64	35.64
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$34.62
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1963

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$15.40
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Cash to Treasurer	\$11.55	11.55
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$ 3.85
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1962

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$.93
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$.93
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1960

Outstanding January 1, 1965		19.38
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		19.38
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MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1965

Commitments as per warrant		\$34,786.61
Abatements refunded		734.49
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		35,521.10
Cash to Treasurer	\$23,210.34	
Cash in bank	3,622.66	
Abatements	2,673.50	
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	29,506.50	29,506.50
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$ 6,014.60

1964

Committed in 1965		3,082.96
Sommitted in 1965		3,082.96
Abatements refunded		3,449.48
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		13,162.42
Cash to Treasurer	\$4,467.72	
Cash in bank	148.85	
Abatements	997.00	
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	5,613.57	5,613.57
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$7,548.85

1963

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$3,598.32
Cash to Treasurer	\$1,649.48	
Cash in bank	69.30	
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	1,718.78	1,718.78
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$1,879.54

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$1,987.88
Cash to Treasurer	\$451.44	451.44
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$1,536.44

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$1,413.62
Cash to Treasurer	\$174.32	174.32
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$1,239.30

1960

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$1,074.04
Cash to Treasurer	\$68.63	68.63
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$1,005.41

1959

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$260.93
Cash to Treasurer	\$100.02	100.02
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$160.91

1958

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$174.47
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 12.05	
Abated	124.01	
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	136.06	136.06
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		\$ 38.41

1957

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$ 45.65
Cash to Treasurer	\$45.65	45.65
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		0.00

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE

1965

Commitments as per warrant		\$188.21
Cash to Treasurer	\$129.83	
Cash in bank	33.75	
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	163.58	163.58

Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$ 24.63
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1964

Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$28.88
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$28.88
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Outstanding January 1, 1965		\$31.50
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Outstanding December 31, 1965		<hr/> \$31.50
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Respectfully submitted,

RUBY SMITH

BUDGET FOR 1966

	Appro. 1965	Expend. 1965	Fin. Com. Rec. 1966
Moderator	70.00	63.75	70.00
Selectmen	2,400.00	2,410.55	2,500.00
Town Accountant	1,300.00	1,255.86	1,350.00
Treasurer	1,175.00	1,091.38	1,135.00
Tax Collector	1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.50
Assessors	1,625.00	1,595.69	1,652.00
Town Clerk	600.00	593.87	600.00
Finance Committee	75.00	45.00	75.00

Town Counsel	100.00	100.00	100.00
Planning Board	450.00	191.76	50.00
Election and Registration	455.00	440.55	875.00
Town Hall	3,000.00	3,147.49	3,100.00
Police	400.00	399.90	500.00
Fire Dept.	4,550.00	5,560.74	5,285.37
Tree Warden	500.00	499.81	500.00
Moth Suppression	800.00	785.93	800.00
Sealer of Wgts. & Meas.	103.50	103.06	none
Civil Defense	250.00	216.59	250.00
General Health	1,050.00	546.00)	
Care of Dump	750.00	617.75)	2,420.00
General Highways	10,000.00	11,708.34	10,000.00
Chapter 81	2,560.00	2,559.65	2,560.00
Chap. 90 Maintenance	2,500.00	2,499.90	2,500.00
Chap. 90 Construction	5,000.00	5.00	5,000.00
Street Lighting	1,950.00	1,900.02	1,950.00
Public Assistance	25,000.00	24,166.04	32,500.00
Veterans Benefits	2,800.00	3,194.60	3,000.00
Veterans Service Dist.	700.00	700.00	595.00
School	108,895.18	107,895.67)	
Trade Sch. T. & T.	3,000.00	2,782.95)	121,527.91
Tantasqua Reg.			
High School	126,601.40	126,601.40	141,495.52
Library	3,000.00	3,825.70	2,600.00
Common	400.00	278.51	400.00
Property Insurance	1,700.00	1,607.18	1,800.00
Workmen's Comp. Ins.	1,084.82	1,084.82	1,027.30
Town Reports	760.60	760.60	975.00
Memorial Day	280.00	234.39	280.00
Aid to Agriculture	100.00	100.00	50.00
County Retirement	1,006.00	1,006.00	1,343.00
Annuities	150.00	150.00	150.00
Cemeteries	2,000.00	1,869.02	1,500.00
Interest	2,000.00	1,132.08	2,000.00
Certifying Notes	20.00	4.00	20.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	705.15	10,000.00
Red Cross Swimming			
Program	none	160.00	175.00

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

In May of 1965, some 450 acres of badly infested woodland was sprayed for the control of Gypsy Moths. This method has proved to be very satisfactory. There is still an additional 365 acres — all of which is woodland — that is badly infested. The cost of aerial spraying for this area is \$550.00. If the Town wishes to complete this work, it should not put it off because it becomes increasingly difficult and expensive when cropland or pastures are within the area to be sprayed.

The work of creosoting moth clusters has been completed. There was a marked decrease in the number of moth clusters found on the roadsides this year.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD J. KILLIAN
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Town Memorial Day Committee appreciates the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliary for participating in the Memorial Day Parade.

We were grateful to have as our speaker, Rev. Father Lucey. We wish to thank the Elementary School and the Tantasqua Regional High School Band for their cooperation in the program.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCY MOORE
STEPHEN McNAMARA
MARGARET GILMAN
ALBERT GENDREAU
JAMES HATCH
FLORENCE GENDREAU

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

The Brimfield Planning Board hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1965.

One plan for subdivision was submitted to the Board. The plan did not require approval under the Subdivision Control Law.

The Planning Board presented a Zoning By-Law to the town for action at the 1965 town meeting. The Planning Division, Massachusetts Dept. of Commerce, provided a great deal of guidance and assistance in order to insure the legality and desirability of the By-Law. Although considerable interest was shown, the Zoning By-Law was defeated by a 43 vote majority.

Respectfully submitted,

PERRY WESTON, Chairman

HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK

JAMES C. HATCH

ERNEST G. ROBERTS

JOHN A. HAYWARD

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

Total expenditures for 1965 amounted to \$1,869.02. Of this amount, \$752.00 was expended for a new rotary mower and \$507.00 for grave openings and foundation work, which was refunded and paid to the Town Treasurer, leaving a balance actually expended for general maintenance of \$610.02. Again, as noted in our report for 1964, the summer was unusually dry and therefore less than normal amount of mowing and clipping was required.

Our equipment is in good condition and, with no foreseeable expenditures required for these items, our request for 1966 is \$1,500.00.

An additional 300 feet of wall has been built out of the combined town appropriation of \$3,000.00 and the contribution made by the Women's Business Club of \$2,200.00. Some additional minor work is still required on the wall itself, and a considerable amount of grading and seeding of the adjoining land area is necessary and will be completed this spring. It appears that all of this work will be done well within the total amount available.

Respectfully submitted,

CHENEY F. NEWTON

JAMES A. ADAMS

EVERETT D. LANDEN

Commissioners

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met early in the year and organized with Merrill Spear as Chairman; Llewellyn Norton, Vice-chairman; and William D. Spooner, Secretary. Arnold Beaton was chosen to represent our committee on the Grammar School Enlargement plans program, and Merrill Spear to represent us on the Town Garage Plans Committee.

The Finance Committee is pleased that most of the Town Accounts have been held within their allotted budgets. However, it was found necessary to transfer a few sums during the year, which were:

\$160.00 for a Red Cross Swimming Program.

\$140.00 to the Town Hall Account to complete certain renovations which had become necessary during the year.

\$394.60 to the Veterans' Benefit Account.

\$ 10.55 to the Selectmen's Account to cover a telephone bill.

The Committee was quite happy that most of the departments made their requests before the legal deadline of December 21st. However, again there were the usual few who did not think it would make any difference if their requests came in "a little late". We would stress that this time is prescribed by State Law, not by our Town, or by this Committee.

As you study the budget pages, you may note that in some instances expenditures appear to be in excess of the appropriations. The reason for this apparent discrepancy is either that additional appropriations were made at a special town meeting on those items, that a transfer was made from the reserve account, or that there were available funds from some other source, so that no accounts have been overspent ac-

according to the figures as supplied by the Town Accountant.

Our work in preparing the budget was eased considerably because most of the departments listed detailed needs so that we did not have to call in so many to explain their requests.

In considering the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, only a few items appear to be controversial. In reviewing the salaries of the elected officers, we realize that none of the departments are overpaid, but that most of the officers regard it a privilege as well as a civic duty to serve the town, and not a business proposition. We therefore recommend that the salaries remain the same, with the exception of the Tree Warden, which we suggest be \$50.00.

Several items appear in the warrant, asking for additional and brighter street lights. If these articles were all approved it would call for an additional 25% in the Street Lighting budget, and also, requests for additional lights would most certainly be made in the ensuing year for further extensions, so the committee recommends that no additional expenses be incurred on these items.

The Finance Committee has just received word from the State Accounting Department that, whereas the town had about \$35,000. in free cash last year, this year we have none. This, according to our Town Accountant, is because the State and County owe us over \$42,000.

In 1965 about \$10,000. was saved in free cash for use during the year at special Town Meetings. As there will be no Free cash this year, the Finance Committee are asking for \$10,000. in the Reserve Fund to take care of special emergency needs which could not this year be taken care of by a special Town Meeting.

Again we wish to thank the officers and boards of the Town who cooperated in discharging their duties and presented their requirements for the ensuing year, and we would caution the voters that **EVERY CENT VOTED AT THE TOWN MEETING WILL MAKE JUST THAT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THEIR OWN TAX BILLS.**

We, of the Finance Committee, consider it has been a privilege to serve the Town for another year and have tried to make an impartial and honest effort to act for the best, long-range good of our community.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE

MERRILL SPEAR, Chairman

LLEWELLYN NORTON,

Vice-Chairman

WILLIAM D. SPOONER, Secretary

ARNOLD R. BEATON

Noah D. Fountain

WILLIS S. GERRISH

ARTHUR D. KENYON

LEO E. LAVIGNE

EUGENE I. ROBERTS

REPORT OF

TOWN BY-LAW COMMITTEE

After careful consideration of the by-laws of the Town as they now stand, your committee makes the following suggestions and recommendations to the Town:

ARTICLE I

Section 5. It is recommended that this by-law be amended to provide that by-laws may be repealed, amended, or adopted at annual meetings only.

Section 6. It is recommended that this by-law be amended to provide a maximum penalty of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for violation of a Town by-law in accordance with a recent amendment to the General Laws of Massachusetts.

ARTICLE II

Section 7. It is recommended that this by-law be amended to provide for the election of Town Officers annually on the first Monday of March in each year and the scheduling of an appropriations or business meeting on the following Saturday afternoon.

ARTICLE IV

Section 33. It is suggested that careful attention be given to the provision of this by-law that an audit of the Town accounts be conducted annually under state supervision.

ARTICLE VII

Section 44. It is recommended that this by-law be amended to provide that elected officers may keep accounts and records in suitable books in the town offices or in their respective offices at home.

The committee recommends that the Selectmen annually appoint a By-Law Committee to review the Town By-Laws and suggest such changes or additions as they find to be in order.

1965 BY-LAW COMMITTEE

THEODORE W. SKOWYRA

GEORGE B. ADAMS

ANDREW W. GONDEK

REPORT OF THE TOWN GARAGE COMMITTEE

This Committee was appointed at the special town meeting in October. Your committee met six times; the first two meetings to discuss and look at possible sites. The third and fourth meetings were held with the Elementary School Building Committee to make certain that if it was decided to use the southerly end of town-owned property on Wales Road, it would not effect the proposed plans for the addition to the Elementary School. After being assured it would not effect the school plans, it was decided this was the best site for the Fire Station and Highway Garage.

The fifth meeting, we met with Architect Thomas E. Madigan of 20 High Street, Ware, Mass., and made arrangements with him to draw preliminary plans.

The sixth meeting, Mr. Madigan presented plans which met with the approval of the committee. Mr. Madigan agreed to have specifications, estimated cost and complete plans for us to present at our next town meeting.

FRANK B. HALEY, Chairman

MERRILL SPEAR, Clerk

ERNEST ROBERTS

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

ALBERT H. GENDREAU

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TANTASQUA REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1965 was a meaningful year for Tantasqua Regional High School. Its purpose as an effective educational facility continued to be served outstandingly by all concerned. The year was one of challenge well met and of success well deserved.

Most significant was a long awaited evaluation by a panel of impartial and highly qualified educators. Evaluation covered every phase of school life from physical plant to student body. Tantasqua is rated first class. The findings of this panel, which should be gratifying to every person in our District, are available for reading at the school.

Important to every citizen of our school community is the leadership of our Superintendent. This Committee sincerely regretted the loss of Superintendent Pappas through resignation in September. We are equally sincere in acknowledging Superintendent Watson as a capable and fitting administrator succeeding Mr. Pappas. Mr. Watson brings much experience, learning and ability to the Superintendency. The Regional board extends its appreciation for the Union 61 committeemen who served on a combined subcommittee for recruiting the new Superintendent.

A second administrative post in our school system, budgeted for 1965 but unfilled until May, is that of Business Manager at the Region-Union office. Mr. Timothy J. Denning of Brimfield, selected as a candidate by a Region-Union subcommittee, was hired to oversee all business and fiscal accounts of the combined school department. He was subsequently appointed Treasurer of Tantasqua Regional High School District, replacing our long time

associate and friend Mr. G. Porter Brockway. Mr. Denning also brings expertise to the post. Again we thank Union 61 committeemen for assistance in obtaining a well qualified candidate. With a business manager to relieve a major functional burden from the Superintendent, our Region-Union complex will derive benefits of greater emphasis on education by the Superintendent, and more efficiency in fiscal matters through the business office. This, since both offices can devote maximum time and effort to their respective positions.

During the 1965 summer recess, 128 summer students extended their classes in the self-supporting Summer School Program. Also during the summer, Tantasqua instituted a milestone through a Work-Study Project. 16 youngsters enrolled and participated under the terms of Federally Sponsored-Vocational Education Act of 1963. This program provided some much needed summer maintenance help, wages to those enrolled, and opportunity for youngsters to beef up academic studies in which they were weak. It is expected that 1965 level of success with this project will more than justify our continued participation in the Federal plan during 1966.

As it is impossible and impractical to convene the Committee as a whole for each matter of business and negotiation, a system of subcommittees is employed to investigate, evaluate, and bring recommendations on singular issues to the full Committee. The work of these subcommittees is the foundation for success or failure in our overall educational program. 1965 saw much activity in every subcommittee as follows:

1. Building: This Committee continued to function as overseer of all past and current construction, improvements, and repairs to the plant, including legal negotiation for damages attributed to the original contract.
2. Vocational: This Committee brought in plans and programs targeted to provide our District

an up to date and aggressive vocational education facility. This has been accomplished. We have a fine plant, and, in Mr. John Russo, an able and effective Director. Mr. Russo was nominated and unanimously selected for the position during the past summer.

3. Policy: To operate a public institution of Tantasqua's size and responsibility, certain specific guidelines and codes are required. With a burgeoning school population and changes in federal or commonwealth statutes, many original policy statements have become inadequate. The policy subcommittee spent much of 1965 in testing all existing policies for adequacy and recommending to the full committee changes where necessary.
4. Budget: Dollar costs for operating Tantasqua during 1966 are as yet unknown. To the end that the right sums of support dollars be raised and appropriated by the five member towns, the budget subcommittee must anticipate expenses in every category. The budget submitted for 1966 results from careful study of previous budgets, year long analysis of new direct costs (repairs to the buildings and grounds etc.) and inclusion of items by statute. The latter, for instance, in 1966 budget reflects nearly \$30,000 in salaries made mandatory by 1964 General Court. Construction of 1966 budget began early in 1965, while throughout the year this sub-committee maintained close surveillance over the 1965 budget.
5. Of the several remaining subcommittees, much could be written. It suffices to say that each unit worked diligently to advance Tantasqua Regional High School to a high level in the field of education.

The Tantasqua Regional School Committee acknowledges and fully appreciates support and assistance extended by you, knowing well that our success is your success. Any measure of success we collectively achieve as a committee and electorate will be reflected far into the future. The youngsters we educate today will in their own time stand in our places as providers and protectors of public trust. At this time of ending one year and beginning another, we pledge to you a continued effort to return full measure for each dollar spent and each child entrusted to Tantasqua Regional School.

GEORGE L. REED, Chairman
Brookfield

ALVIN W. GREENE, Vice Chairman
Sturbridge

JOHN R. WEAVER, Secretary
Sturbridge

MRS. DONALD BEALL
Brookfield

CHARLES P. CIAFFONE
Sturbridge

JOHN G. DOCWRA
Brookfield

ROBERT F. DOWLING
Sturbridge

HAROLD J. ELLIS, JR.
Sturbridge

JOHN A. HAYWARD
Brimfield

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT
Brimfield

ALFRED R. WILLIAMS
Holland

MRS. ROBERT YELINEK
Wales

BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your School Committee accepted with regret the resignation of Superintendent Henry Pappas on August 31st, 1965. Mr. Pappas's accomplishments were many, and he left the school system in excellent shape. Our school curriculum has been improved, strengthened and modernized. The teaching aids in the classrooms have multiplied. The Union of the five towns has proved itself successful in every way. We have a fine teaching staff and a most diligent, progressive principal, Mr. Arthur Bush, who is enjoying his first year as a non-teaching principal.

A most important position was born for the five towns feeding into Tantasqua and for the Regional School, the position of Business Manager in the person of Timothy Denning from Brimfield. This appointment has taken a great burden from the shoulders of the Superintendent allowing the Superintendent to spend more time on the educational needs of the community.

In November we were fortunate to have an excellent new Superintendent arrive who has already impressed the teachers and the school committee with his ability and awareness of school problems. Mr. Robert A. Watson came from Beverly, Mass. where he was principal of the high school. Under his able guidance our school system is bound to continue improving.

The school committee wishes to thank former Superintendent Pappas and our present Superintendent, Mr. Watson, and his office staff, our principal, Mr. Bush, and the teachers, our cafeteria manager and her helper, our

school doctor and nurse, our custodian and his helper and the Mothers' Club of the School for their faithfulness and wonderful spirit in making a good school for our children.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Chairman

OLIVE D. WESTON

RAYMOND ROBERTS, Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
OF THE
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1965

Member	Term Expires
Johnstone Prescott, Chairman and Representative to Tantasqua Committee	1966
Raymond Roberts, Secretary	1968
Mrs. Perry Weston	1967

Superintendent of Schools

Robert A. Watson

Office Hours

8:30 A.M. — 4:30 P.M.

Telephone 1-617-347-3077 Office

Principal of Elementary School

Arthur H. Bush

Office Hours

8:30 A.M. — 3:45 P.M.

Telephone 245-3326 School

School Physician

John L. Rigatti, M.D.

Telephone 1-617-347-3634

School Nurse

Mrs. Mary Lou Antonovitch, R.N.

Supervisor of Attendance

Edward E. Sheeran

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Information will be broadcast over stations WARE
AND WESO between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 A.M.

ENTRANCE AGE OF PUPILS

Six years of age on or before the first of January
following the opening of School in September.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Last Monday of each month throughout year at 7:30
P.M. at Elementary School.

TANTASQUA REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

1965-1966 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 8 through December 23 — Fall Term 71 days
Holidays

October 12 — Columbus Day

October 18 — Teachers' Workshop

November 5 — Teachers' Convention

November 11 — Veterans' Day

November 25 & 26 — Thanksgiving

December 23 through January 2

January 3 through February 18 — Winter Term	35 days
February 21 through February 25 — Winter Recess	
February 28 through April 15 — Spring Term	34 days
Holidays	
March 14 — Teachers' Workshop	
April 8 — Good Friday	
April 18 through April 22 — Spring Recess	
April 25 through June 22 (Tentative Closing)	42 days
Holidays May 30 — Memorial Day	—
Total	182 days

SCHOOL HOURS

Grades 7-12 — 7:45 A.M. to 2:02 P.M.

NO SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Tantasqua Regional High School, by decision of the Tantasqua School Committee, will be open on all regular school days, regardless of the weather, unless some emergency develops at the school itself, or when the superintendent announces that there will be no school.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and the high school by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high school is made by the superintendent of schools.

Official announcements concerning the operation of buses to the regional high school will be made over radio stations WARE, WESO and WTAG by 6:30 A.M. if possible.

TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND UNION #61

1966-67 SCHOOL CALENDAR

September					October				
	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7
12	13	14	15	16	10	11	—	13	14
19	20	21	22	23	17*	18	19	20	21
26	27	28	29	30	24	25	26	27	28
					31				

November					December				
	1	2	3	—			1	2	
7	8	9	10	—	5	6	7	8	9
14	15	16	17	18	12	13	14	15	16
21	22	23**	—	—	19	20	21	22	—
28	29	30			—	—	—	—	—
January					February				
—	3	4	5	6			1	2	3
9	10	11	12	13	6	7	8	9	10
16	17	18	19	20	13	14	15	16	17
23	24	25	26	27	—	—	—	—	—
30	31				27	28			
March					April				
		1	2	3	3	4	5	6	7
6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13	14
13*	14	15	16	17	—	—	—	—	—
20	21	22	23	—	24	25	26	27	28
27	28	29	30	31					
May					June				
1	2	3	4	5			1	2	
8	9	10	11	12	5	6	7	8	9
15	16	17	18	19	12	13	14	15	16
22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	
—	—	31							

Sept. 6 — Opening Workshop & preparation

Sept. 7 — First full day for pupils

1st quarter — Sept. 7 — Nov. 10 (45 days)

2nd quarter — Nov. 14 — Jan. 20 (41 days)

3rd quarter — Jan. 23 — Mar. 31 (44 days)

4th quarter — Apr. 3 — June 22 (52 days)

Total

182 days

Note

* Workshop — Half-day for Tantasqua Regional High School only.
Full day for elementary.

** Workshop — Half-day for elementary school only.
Full day for Tantasqua Regional High School.

June 2 — Last day for senior classes.

4 — Baccalaureate

11 — Graduation

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1965

	5 years of age or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
TOTAL IN TOWN			
Boys	31	190	
Girls	21	139	1
	—	—	—
TOTAL	52	329	1
In public school	51	298	
In continuation school		5	
In vocational school		9	
In private school	1	15	
In state and county institutions and special schools for defectives and delinquents		1	
Not enrolled in any school		1	1
	—	—	—
TOTAL	52	329	1

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT 1965

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Total
26	37	33	34	36	35	201

REPORT OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The most significant highlight of this past year was the evaluation of Tantasqua by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. For three full days a committee of 25 from the N.E.A.C.S.S. examined all aspects of our educational program and physical facilities. The final report is long and comprehensive; many commendations are included as well as innumerable recommendations for improvements. In its conclusion the report states — “Tantasqua Regional High School is an

excellent school and has developed a more than adequate program for meeting the collective and individual needs of the students it serves."

As a result we are now a fully accredited high school and all of our graduates will enjoy the benefits that such a distinction brings. The school committee is to be congratulated for its foresight in providing budget funds for such an undertaking.

So that we may maintain a high quality of education at Tantasqua three additional teachers will be added in September, 1966. Another English teacher and one art instructor will permit us to continue a desirable pupil-teacher ratio in the English department while improving considerably the schedule of art classes. By adding one French teacher we will be able to offer a five-year sequence in this language beginning in grade 7.

Any educational staff which aspires to professional growth and improvement must engage constantly in individual and collective study and reflection. Many of our teachers are enrolled in graduate courses designed to make them more effective teachers. Also, periodic workshop sessions for the entire staff have been scheduled. Our next staff workshop (in March) will feature William Kavaraceus, Tufts professor, and nationally renowned authority on juvenile delinquency.

Because the late buses at Tantasqua leave so early (2.50 P. M.) we feel that opportunities for participation by students in extra-curricular activities are limited. Also, help sessions must often be curtailed. At the present time we are investigating the feasibility of moving the departure time of the late buses back to about 4 P. M. The advantages of such an arrangement would be manifold.

A series of meetings on teaching English to elementary children is planned for the five towns. A committee composed of elementary teachers and the High School English department head has been formed for the pur-

pose of compiling an elementary curriculum guide and coordinating the entire English program, grades 1-12. Similar plans are underway in the field of social studies. It is our hope that in future years boys and girls entering Tantasqua will have comparable backgrounds regardless of the town from which they come. This should not, of course, be construed as an attempt to standardize our elementary schools. Rather it should be looked upon as an aim to coordinate them, which is desirable, while at the same time preserving their individuality.

The Administrative Council, composed of elementary principals, the High School principal, vocational director and superintendent, will, we think, improve communication among all members of the staff. In fact we are participating in a program, for the development of "More Effective Classroom Instruction", designed by Saxenian Associates (formerly affiliated with Harvard Business School). Simply conceived, and relatively unsophisticated, this procedure calls for monthly meetings of the Council, preceded by monthly staff meetings at individual schools. The flow back and forth of information between teachers and administrators will contribute to a more favorable working climate while mitigating against misunderstandings which are always a bane to a large organization.

Funds for a remedial reading teacher have been approved by Brimfield and Wales. Each of the five towns will now provide this service. This program is geared to help those boys and girls in the elementary schools whose reading achievement is, for one or more reasons, below what we believe to be their (the students) potential. The remedial teacher works regularly and intensively with small groups of boys and girls on specific reading difficulties. In addition as an expert in the area of reading this teacher can make valuable suggestions to the classroom teachers, who, of course, continue working with these children.

As of September, 1966 we will employ one elementary guidance counselor who will serve Brimfield, Holland and Sturbridge. This counselor will provide guidance to all pupils but will work more intensively with children who have problems. It will be the duty of the counselor to serve as a liaison between home and school in cases of more serious problems and to assist parents when a referral to an outside agency becomes necessary.

The guidance counselor will consult with teachers and principals regarding testing and the interpretation of test results. The acquisition of an elementary guidance counselor is, we believe, a forward looking step and strongly recommend the addition of another staff member for Brookfield and Wales another year.

Brimfield's grade four class is participating in the testing of science materials prepared by the Elementary Science Incorporated (ESI). The materials are designed with the specific objective of their being used in a self-contained classroom at the elementary level. We hope to capitalize on this affiliation on two counts: (1) being in a position to receive science materials on a trial basis and (2) keeping abreast of the most recent trends in elementary science teaching.

I have been your superintendent for a short three months. But it is quite obvious that this Union possesses those assets necessary to maintaining excellence in its schools: interested citizens, intelligent school board members, dedicated teachers and serious-minded boys and girls.

May I take this opportunity to thank school board members for their support, teachers for their professional spirit, non-teaching personnel for their hard work, citizens for their generosity and students for being a credit to all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. WATSON

Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Brimfield Elementary School
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Mr. Robert Watson
Superintendent of Schools, Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

January 1, 1966

Dear Mr. Watson:

I herewith submit my third annual report as principal of the Brimfield Elementary School.

School opened with the following enrollment:

Grade 1	26
Grade II	37
Grade III	33
Grade IV	34
Grade V	36
Grade VI	35

This year Mr. Dominic Gigante is a new teacher in grade six. He is a graduate of Worcester State College.

The phonics program is being tried this year at the second grade level as a follow through of last year's introduction to grade one. First reports indicate good results in reading and spelling, but more analyses have to be made in a long range program.

Mrs. Streeter, the town librarian, has devoted much of her time supplying good library materials for the elementary school children and conducting library research programs for the upper grades. She has also assisted us with our Library Loans from the Department of Education in Boston.

This year we have introduced a series of lessons on Rescue Breathing to grades five and six science classes with the help of the "Dolly Chase," provided by the

School Nurse, and a film from the Telephone Company. The series has been quite thorough for elementary school children.

The Mother's Club has been very generous to the school. This year, they have presented a clarinet to the school for a boy or girl in the school band and also have purchased Weekly Readers for all grades.

In April, the elementary school held a Bookfair in the cafeteria. This is one more way of motivating children to take an interest in the world of reading.

I would like to thank the School Committee for their cooperation during the school year; the parents for their sustained interest; and you Mr. Watson for your guidance in school matters in the short time that you have been superintendent of schools.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTHUR H. BUSH

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

As Art Supervisor for three towns of Union #61, I submit my report for Brimfield.

Children enjoy art and express themselves through many of the media of art. The freedom and joy of creating can be so guided that some children will want to continue in many fields related to art, and others may continue in the profession itself.

The help and cooperation of the teachers has led to many individual and group projects to which all have contributed in the interest of the children.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. DOWGIERT

Supervisor of Art

Brimfield, Brookfield, Wales

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Brimfield

“Music education is the study of the relationship of music to each person’s mind and senses. It is a realization of the place and value of musical art in human life.” (Ed. Digest, Nov., 1965) Music, as a rigorous intellectual and emotional discipline, sharpens the senses, awakens the imagination and shapes the personality. And a structured program advancing maximum understanding and enjoyment can realize the creativity, originality, independence and nonconformity in the students who will determine the music of the future.

The students in Grades 1 through 3 are delighting in a new basic music series compiled by the Silver Burdett Company, and are benefitting of the structured program of musical learning.

An operetta, THE LAND OF DREAMS COME TRUE, was presented by the children in all the grades in June. The enthusiasm, interest and cooperation of students, teachers and parents made the presentation a fine success.

It is a joy to work in such an atmosphere. I am confident that great strides will be made in achieving our goals.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CLOUTIER

Supervisor of Music in

Brookfield, Brimfield, Wales

YEARLY REPORT — SCHOOL NURSE

BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The prime responsibility for the health of a child lies with the parents. Health and good grooming habits must be taught at home. Personal cleanliness, out of self-respect and consideration for others, is one of the most important lessons children should learn.

Routine procedures are carried out each year in the school health program to guard your children. Eyes and ears are tested to be sure the child is not handicapped by inabilities in these areas which might affect his learning powers. Height and weight are measured to note growth patterns. Physical exams are done in order to check overall health. Immunizations are offered for protection against some diseases.

Two other protective measures were instituted in 1965. Tine testing for Tuberculosis and Diabetic testing. These are voluntary procedures, but parents are reminded that while these diseases can be effectively treated, the earlier the diagnosis is made, the easier the treatment and the less extensive the damage.

My thanks to all the volunteer workers, Mr. Bush, the teachers and the school committee for their cooperation and help.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOU ANTONOVITCH, R.N.

SUPERVISOR — LUNCH PROGRAM

BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The school lunch program served about 20,000 type “A” lunches last year.

A type “A” lunch consists of:

2 oz. protein rich food

3/4 cup vegetables or fruits

1 slice enriched or whole grain bread

2 tsp. butter

1½ pint of milk

vitamin “C” food

vitamin “A” food

Respectfully submitted,

ALMA HOWLETT

Cafeteria Manager

SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Brimfield Elementary School
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Mr. Robert Watson
Superintendent of Schools, Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts
Dear Mr. Watson:

Our regular summer maintenance program was carried out this year as usual. We maintain a program that requires the painting of several classrooms every year, so that in a period of every four years, the school building is completely repainted inside and out.

A section of the roof was repaired and made water tight, and many small repairs were made during our painting program.

It is my opinion that our school building is sound, and in good condition, considering it has served us nearly a quarter of a century. It should be noted that very few major repairs have been done on the building, and that some repairs will be necessary in the future.

I wish to thank the superintendent, the school committee, our principal and the teachers for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SHEERAN

Custodian

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 1965

	Name	Training	Yrs. Serv. Brimfield	Total Yrs. Service
Administration				
Superintendent	Robert A. Watson, B.S., Salem State College M.A., Tufts University		0	16
Elementary School				
Principal	Arthur Bush, B.S., Boston College Ed. M., Bridgewater State College		2	7
Grade 1	Jeannette Robichaud, B.S., Worcester State College		1	1
Grade 2	Brenda Meunier, B.S., Springfield College		2	3
Grade 2	Mary Moore, Westfield State College		3	3
Grade 3	Mary McDonald, Westfield State College		3	18
Grade 4	Florence Gendreau, Gorham State Normal School		12	16
Grade 5	Harold Piligian, B.S., North Adams State College Ed. M., Westfield State College		2	2
Grade 6	Domenic Gigante, B.A., American International College		0	0
Grade 6	Susan Smith, B.A., Univ. of Connecticut		2	2
Art	Paul Dowgiert, Clark University		1	3
Music	Pauline Cloutier, B.M., Anna Maria College		1	1
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1965

General Appropriation	\$108,895.18
Administration:	
Superintendent's Office	3,835.23
School Committee	466.00
Instruction:	
Principal's Office	6,937.24
Teaching:	
Teacher's Salaries	45,828.87
Supplies	1,583.93
Personnel Training	33.28
Special Education	1,870.74
Text Books	752.51
Library Services	75.42
Guidance	303.14
Audio Visual	212.32
Other School Services:	
Attendance	125.00
Health	1,212.50
Transportation	31,881.66
Operation & Maintenance of Plant:	
Janitors Salaries	5,864.52
Janitor's Salary (Adm. Off.)	23.18
Janitors Supplies	714.05
Janitors' Other Expense	390.00
Fuel	1,338.48
Utilities:	
School	1,338.32
Admin. Office	133.54
Repairs	1,605.70
Maintenance of Equipment:	
Admin. Office	18.26
Fixed Charges:	
Insurance — Admin. Office	11.24
Rent — Admin. Office	228.48

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

Equipment:

School	623.97
Admin. Office	75.99
Library	332.70

Total Expenditures	107,816.27
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Balance Unexpended	\$1,078.91
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REIMBURSEMENT FROM STATE

General School Fund	\$26,750.78
Superintendent's Salary	1,327.93
Transportation	28,950.47
State Wards	4,202.03
Special Education	1,132.08
Vocational Education	489.79

Total Reimbursement from State	62,853.08
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Total Expenditures, 1965	107,816.27
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Total Reimbursement from State	62,853.08
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Net Cost to Brimfield	\$44,963.19
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SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1966

Administration	\$4,578.49
Instruction	62,764.19
Other School Services	34,520.00
Operation of Plant	12,386.14
Fixed Charges	230.01
Community Services	500.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	3,049.08
Program with Other Districts & Private Schools	3,500.00

Total	\$121,527.91
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TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday, the SEVENTH Day of March, 1966, at twelve (12) o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: A Moderator for one year; three Selectmen for one year each; one Assessor for three years; one Highway Surveyor for one year; one Member of the School Committee for three years; one Member of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for three years; one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; two Library Trustees for three years; one Tree Warden for one year; one Constable for two years; one Trustee of the Harriet Harding Fund for three years; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Board of Public Health for three years; one Trustee of the Lincoln Library Fund for three years.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8:00 P.M.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for Town employees.

Article 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$2,500.00) for the maintenance of the Warren, Old Palmer, Brookfield and Holland Roads under Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by State and County for the purpose.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$5,000.00) for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1966 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of

allotments made by the State and County for highways including bridges.

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient and public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,000.00 from the Machinery Account to purchase a one-half ton pickup truck for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,500.00 from the Machinery Account to purchase a 9 foot by 7 foot dump body, 4 yard capacity with 6 yard ends to be mounted on the 1960 International Truck, or take any other action thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for gypsy moth control, or take any other action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid

to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42, or take any other action thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$) for the construction of a Highway Garage and Fire Station, or take any other action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 between the Holland Rd., and the Wales Road, by removing 3 1000-lumen and 4 2500-lumen old incandescent street lights, and installing 4 7000-lumen MV lamps and 3 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 from the Wales Road to Reid's Auction Acres by removing 2 2500-lumen lamps and 5 1000-lumen lamps and installing 5 7000-lumen MV lamps and 2 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to improve existing street lighting on Church Street and Brookfield Rd., at Route 20 intersection by removing the existing 1000-lumen lamp and relocating the existing 3500-lumen MV lamp, and the addition of a 7000-lumen lamp at the rear of the Hitchcock Parking lot, and the removal of the 1000-lumen lamp on Pole #1 on the Brookfield Rd., and the installation of a 7000-lumen lamp in its place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to install four (4) street lights on Mill Lane Road, on Poles #4, 8, 15 and 18, for the safety and security of pedestrians and residents, or take any other action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to install street lights on Paige Hill Road, on Poles #6, 9, 12 and 14, or take any other action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Miss Margaret Sherman a gift of \$5,000.00 for the completion of an addition to the Brimfield Library to be known as the Sherman Memorial Room.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to expend the funds given by Miss Sherman for the purpose specified.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to turn over to the Library for the purchase of books, overdue book fines collected during the year 1965.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Brimfield Elementary School Committee to expend the balance of the School Building Account (\$2,208.08) or a portion thereof as necessary for actual construction of a Teachers' washroom and toilet facility at and in the Brimfield Elementary School, or take any other action thereon.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to paint the Town Hall, or take any other action thereon.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175.00 to be used for the Red Cross Swimming Program, or take any other action thereon.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to reappoint the committee charged with the duty of bringing in plans for a Highway Garage and Fire Station, as a Highway Garage and Fire Station Building Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Highway Garage and Fire Station Building Committee to expend the funds appropriated for the construction of a Highway Garage and Fire Station, or take any other action thereon.

Article 31. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying of expenses of the ensuing year, and direct how the same shall be expended.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, by sealed bid or public auction, the 1949 Highway Department Pickup and the 1960 Chevrolet Truck, or take any other action thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 31st day of January, 1966.

RICHARD C. ALLEN
THEODORE W. SKOWYRA
FRANK B. HALEY
SELECTMEN OF BRIMFIELD

A true copy,

ATTEST JULIANE L. SPOONER
Town Clerk

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The Town Officers'

ANNUAL REPORT

to the

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

BRIMFIELD
PUBLIC
LIBRARY.



Including Receipts and Expenditures
for the
Year Ending December 31, 1966

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ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF

BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

1966

FOREWORD

This Annual Report for 1966 presents to all the Citizens of Brimfield a summary of events and activities of the Town Government, in brief, readable form.

It is always the privilege of each resident or businessman to contact individual departments for further details, or additional information.

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Hampden–Worcester Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

U. S. Senators are

Edward T. Kennedy, Boston
Edward W. Brooke, Newton

Congressman, 2nd District is

Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is

Philip A. Quinn, Spencer

Representative to General Court is

Alexander Lolas, Monson

County Commissioners are

William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow
Lloyd W. Fradet, Springfield

Democratic Town Committee

Edward Killian, Chairman
Edward Sheeran, Treasurer
Margaret Gilman, Secretary

Republican Town Committee

George B. Adams, Chairman
Shirley Nichols, Secretary–Treasurer

Population	1,644
Voters	776
Republican	204
Democrats	132
Independents	440

TOWN OFFICERS – 1966

Town Clerk

Juliane L. Spooner	Term expires 1967
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Moderator

Timothy J. Denning	Term expires 1967
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Treasurer

Clarence H. Keith	Term expires 1967
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Tax Collector

Ruby E. Smith	Term expires 1967
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Selectmen

Richard C. Allen	Term expires 1967
Frank B. Haley	Term expires 1967
Norris U. Demetrius	Term expires 1967

Assessors

Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1969
John M. Haley	Term expires 1968
Andrew W. Gondek	Term expires 1967

Highway Surveyor

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1967
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School Committee

Johnstone Prescott	Term expires 1969
Raymond Roberts	Term expires 1968
Olive D. Weston	Term expires 1967

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

John A. Hayward (Resigned)	Term expires 1969
Arnold R. Beaton	Appointed to March 6, 1967

Board of Public Welfare

Homer L. Parker	Term expires 1969
Alfred Wigglesworth	Term expires 1968
Timothy J. Denning	Term expires 1967

Board of Public Health

Violet G. Loux	Term expires 1969
Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1968
Roger Osterheld	Term expires 1967

Cemetery Commission

Everett D. Landen	Term expires 1969
James A. Adams	Term expires 1968
Cheney F. Newton	Term expires 1967

Library Trustees

Robert E. Bruce	Term expires 1969
Bertha Osterheld	Term expires 1969
Lester W. Parker	Term expires 1968
Ethel E. Spooner	Term expires 1968
Violet G. Loux	Term expires 1967
Roger W. Bennett	Term expires 1967

Tree Warden

Percy N. Moore	Term expires 1967
James A. Adams	Temporary appointment due to illness

Constables

Robert J. Cutler	Term expires 1968
Arthur J. Moreau	Term expires 1968
Ernest L. Mann	Term expires 1968
John H. Stanton	Term expires 1968
Brian N. Haley	Term expires 1968

Trustees – Harriet Harding Fund

Alfred Wigglesworth	Term expires 1969
Fenton A. Hastings	Term expires 1968
Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1967

Planning Board

Ernest G. Roberts	Term expires 1971
James C. Hatch	Term expires 1970
Perry Weston	Term expires 1969
John A. Hayward (Resigned)	Term expires 1968
Donald B. Norton	Appointed to March 6, 1967
Harold E. Hitchcock	Term expires 1967

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

Cheney F. Newton	Term expires 1969
Everett D. Landen	Term expires 1968
Roger W. Bennett	Term expires 1967

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS – 1966

Town Accountant

Joseph Dmuchovsky	Term expires 1969
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Chief, Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

Albert Gendreau	Term expires 1967
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Inspector of Animals

George W. Tetreault	Term expires 1967
Frank B. Haley	Term expires 1967

Inspector of Slaughtering

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1967
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Superintendent of Streets

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1967
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Moth Superintendent

Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1967
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Agent, Board of Health

Dr. John Rigatti	Term expires 1967
Marylou Antonovitch, R.N.	Term expires 1967

Veteran's Agent

Thomas J. Faulkner	Term expires 1967
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Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. Frederick Lawrence	Term expires 1967
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Dog Officer

Arthur J. Moreau	Term expires 1967
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Field Drivers

George Tetreault	Term expires 1967
Neil Stalker	Term expires 1967
Fenton Hastings	Term expires 1967

Fence Viewers

Brian Haley	Term expires 1967
Franklin Smith	Term expires 1967
Neil Stalker	Term expires 1967

Town Counsel

E. Donald Riddle	Term expires 1967
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Finance Committee

W. Scott Gerrish	Term expires 1969
Eugene Roberts	Term expires 1969
David L. Cheney	Term expires 1969
Leo E. Lavigne	Term expires 1968
Noah D. Fountain	Term expires 1968
Arthur E. Kenyon	Term expires 1968
Merrill Spear	Term expires 1967
Arnold Beaton (Resigned)	Term expires 1967
William Whitten	Appointed to fill unexpired term
William Spooner	Term expires 1967

Jury List

Leo Lavigne	Term expires 1969
William Whitten	Term expires 1969
Ernest E. Blake	Term expires 1969
Robert L. Roy	Term expires 1969
Richard Souliere	Term expires 1968
Sumner D. Barr	Term expires 1968
Johnstone Prescott	Term expires 1967
Arthur E. Brown	Term expires 1967
George B. Sherman	Term expires 1967

Registrars

Margaret V. McIntyre	Term expires 1969
Margaret Gilman	Term expires 1968
Shirley Nichols	Term expires 1967

Civil Defense Director

C. Kenneth Silvius	Term expires 1967
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Town Garage & Fire Station Building Committee

Frank B. Haley, Chairman)	
Merrill Spear, Clerk)	Terms expire
Ernest Roberts (resigned)	)	when report
Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	)	submitted – 1967
Albert H. Gendreau)	

Planning Board – Board of Appeals

Francis L. Henderson	Term expires 1969
Lester H. Sheldon	Term expires 1968
Cheney F. Newton	Term expires 1967

Associate Members

D. Walker Cheney	Term expires 1968
Stanley Vaill	Term expires 1967

School Building Committee

Johnstone Prescott)	
Richard C. Allen	)	Terms expire
Arnold Beaton (resigned)	)	when report
William B. Cox	)	submitted
William F. Whitten (resigned))	

Memorial Day Committee

Percy N. Moore	Term expires 1967
Albert Gendreau	Term expires 1967
Margaret Gilman	Term expires 1967
Stephen McNamara	Term expires 1967
James Hatch	Term expires 1967
Florence Gendreau	Term expires 1967

By-Law Committee

Theodore W. Skowyra	Term expires 1967
George B. Adams	Term expires 1967
Andrew W. Gondek	Term expires 1967

Caretaker at Dump

Alexander McVeigh	Term expires 1967
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Gas Inspector

Merritt Hyatt, R.F.D. 1, Palmer, Mass.	Term expires 1967
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Caretaker at Common

L. Victor Howlett	Term expires 1967
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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

123 Resident Fishing
85 Resident Hunting
66 Resident Sporting
17 Resident Minor Fishing
21 Resident Female Fishing
2 Resident Minor Trapping
3 Special Non-Resident Fishing
6 Non-Resident Fishing
1 Non-Resident Hunting
2 Duplicate Licenses
1 Archery Stamp
18 Resident Sporting (Free)

DOGS LICENSED

156 Male @ \$2.00	\$312.00
39 Female @ \$5.00	195.00
67 Spayed Female @ \$2.00	134.00
11 Kennels @ \$10.00	110.00
1 Kennel @ \$25.00	25.00
2 Transfer Licenses	.50
	<u>\$776.50</u>
Less Clerk's Fees - 276 @ 25¢	<u>69.00</u>
Balance paid to Treasurer	\$707.50

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Parents</u>
1966		
<u>January</u>		
17	Helen Victoria Clark	Raymond M. and Carole E. Shunaman
23	Denise Lois Robbins	Henry G. and Jacquelyn A. Laflamme
<u>February</u>		
2	John Albert Mahitka, Jr.	John A. and Ruth E. Heald
6	John Phillip Messier	Phillip J. and April M. Boisvert
24	Lisa Ann Hale	Lester D. and Margaret A. Smith
24	Dana Rouville Demetrius	Norris U. and Irene Morin
<u>March</u>		
10	Lyman Bradway Stanton, Jr.	Lyman B. and Pauline A. McAlman
18	David Paul Shea	Michael E. and Muriel Jones
<u>April</u>		
1	James Henry VanWagner	Earl J. and Teresa A. Ryan
<u>May</u>		
24	James Clayton Stearns, Jr.	James C. and Judith A. Korsak
<u>June</u>		
2	Steven Clifford Stalker	Neil S. and Laurel A. Mastine
16	Terrance Alan Jalbert	Roger R. and Beverly J. Whitten
17	Timothy Michael Haley	Brian N. and Nancy A. Gullmes
18	Diane Elizabeth Dickinson	Frank C. Jr. and Louise M. Houghton
<u>July</u>		
22	Sandra Marie Bliss	David M. and Ann E. Bonett

<u>August</u>		
7	Dawn Marie Detarando	Douglas C. and Debra L. Yeomans
16	Anthony Napoleon Miner	Richard P. and Pauline O. Surprenant
<u>September</u>		
4	Ronald Arthur Hayward	Clark W. Jr. and Helen F. Tetreault
21	Michelle Marie Harvey	William L. and Alice M. Beausoleil
23	Lawrence Wells Heyliger, Jr.	Lawrence W., Sr. and Jessie H. Waite
<u>October</u>		
7	John Michael Monette	Lyle E. and Audrey J. Keith
<u>December</u>		
7	April Ann Shelton	William R. and Lois J. Lawrence

DEATHS RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
1966				
<u>January</u>				
5	H. May McMenimen	97		
7	Arthur W. Walbridge	90	10	16
<u>February</u>				
4	Joseph Lemanski	85		
11	Alice (Hicks) Metcalf	78	5	29
27	Georgiana (Cunningham) Reeves	60	3	14
28	Anne Catherine Murphy	85	10	27
<u>March</u>				
5	Monique Crichlow	7	6	21
28	Almira (Farr) Spooner	94	10	2
<u>April</u>				
15	Joseph M. Wenninger	41	6	24
26	George Ambrose Ouellette	74	0	9
<u>May</u>				
15	Christine H. (Sheldon) Adams	70	11	7

<u>May</u>				
16	Olive F. (Bliss) Pease	83	3	28
23	Frederick Russell Tryon	89	4	5
31	Frank Claude Dickinson, Sr.	71	1	23
<u>June</u>				
1	Shiela (McCarthy) Glynn	64	7	17
29	Adelaide M. (Webber) Potter	91	4	28
<u>August</u>				
5	Agnes G. (Cromie) Boutwell	57	6	10
7	Evelyn Rogers	62	10	10
13	Rose G. (Black) Clements	58	-	25
29	Marion Lorena (Page) Russell	56	2	9
<u>October</u>				
9	John Michael Monette	-	-	2
11	Ina E. (Morrison) Beaman	80	11	23
16	Katherine E. Brown	88	11	21
<u>November</u>				
11	Ann Margaret Bixby	-	-	21
15	Bertha (Barton) Knowlton	81	2	17
<u>December</u>				
20	Albert Rudolph Jensen	49	0	26
21	George A. Tetreault	58		

MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<u>January</u>				
29	Albert L. Poirier	Wales	Beverly M. Gregoire	Wales
<u>April</u>				
22	William R. Shelton	Brimfield	Lois J. Lawrence	Brimfield
30	Leon P. Blake	Brimfield	Marie A. Gauvin	Brimfield
<u>May</u>				
7	Curtis E. Chamberlain	Brimfield	Esther P. Donley	Wales

<u>May</u> 28	Ernest J. Arcoite, Jr.	Southbridge	Sylvia L. Solomon	Brimfield
<u>June</u> 4	Joseph A. Zykoski	Springfield	Claire A. L. Kos	Brimfield
11	Wilrose M. Duquette	Charlton	Penny Fay Gilman	Brimfield
11	Russell L. Tate	Brimfield	Inez G. V. Burrell	Brimfield
18	Roger L. Warren	Durham, N. H.	Ellen R. Cox	Brimfield
18	Raymond G. Hewitt	Palmer	Diane M Grinnell	Brimfield
25	Roy Ernest Schoonover	Southwick	Linda K. Burnham	Brimfield
<u>July</u> 2	James R. Gilman	Brimfield	Colleen A. Porter	Brookfield
2	Donald L. Sherman	Buckland	Beverly A. Fuller	Brimfield
16	Ronald A. Moreau	Brimfield	Carole A. Armstrong	Fiskdale
19	Bernard Samek, Sr.	Brimfield	Sylvia H. Bratianu	Amherst
<u>August</u> 13	Claude E. Whitman	Warren	Norma J. DeWitte	Brimfield
20	James B. Powers	Worcester	Cynthia K. Bagster- Collins	Brimfield
20	Leodore H. Gelineau, Jr.	Holland	Linda M. Bigda	Brimfield
<u>September</u> 3	Norman H. Laviolette	Palmer	Cecile M. Gregoire	Brimfield
10	Jean P. J. Demers	Brimfield	Linda G. Milton	Ware

September

24	Earl T. Bonett	Brimfield	JoAnne Laviera	Brookfield
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October

15	Lester Tiraboschi	Brimfield	Barbara Murphy	N. Wilbraham
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December

17	Richard L. Boucher	Brimfield	Carol D. Ambach	Brookfield
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17	Peter Hunt Lukesh	Sudbury	Jill M. Reid	Brimfield
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24	Bernard J. McHugh, Jr.	Ware	Claudia F. Smith	Brimfield
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BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, March 7, 1966

- Article 1. Elected Town Officers.
- Article 2. Voted to accept reports of officers.
- Article 3. Voted that salaries of elected officers be the same as 1965, except that the salary for the Tree Warden be \$50.00, and the Highway Surveyor increased from \$2.25 to \$2.75 per hour.
- Article 4. Voted \$1,027.30 for compensation insurance, of which \$847.92 be transferred from Fund and and \$179.38 raised by taxation.
- Article 5. Voted to turn Dog Fund over to Library.
- Article 6. Voted \$2,500 for Chapter 90 Maintenance.
- Article 7. Voted \$5,000 for Chapter 90 Construction.
- Article 8. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.
- Article 9. Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements.

- Article 10. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax title property at auction.
- Article 11. Voted to transfer \$8,904.78 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.
- Article 12. Voted \$2,000 from the Machinery Account for a half-ton pickup truck.
- Article 13. Motion defeated to purchase a dump body.
- Article 14. Voted \$250 for Civil Defense.
- Article 15. Voted \$800 for Gypsy Moth Control.
- Article 16. Voted \$50 for Aid to Agriculture.
- Article 17. Voted \$52,600 for a Highway Garage and Fire Station, appropriating entire amount of Stabilization Fund of approximately \$27,073, and the balance to be raised by short term loan.
- Article 18. Voted to install one 7000-lumen lamp on pole #149 at St. Christopher's Church.
- Article 19. Voted to disapprove additional street lighting on Route 20.
- Article 20. Voted to disapprove additional street lighting near Hitchcock Academy.
- Article 21. Voted to install four 2500 lumen lights on Mill Lane Road, on poles #4, 8, 15 and 18.
- Article 22. Voted to install four 2500 lumen lights on Paige Hill Rd. on poles #6, 9, 12 and 14.
- Article 23. Voted to accept with thanks \$5,000 from Miss Margaret Sherman for the completion of the Sherman Memorial Room.
- Article 24. Voted to authorize the Library Trustees to expend the funds given by Miss Sherman for purpose specified.
- Article 25. Moderator ruled no action possible on library book fines, since article was in conflict with the General Laws.

- Article 26. Voted to authorize the Elementary School Committee to expend such portion as necessary of the balance of the School Building Account of \$2,208.08 to construct a teachers' washroom at the School.
- Article 27. Voted \$2000 to paint the Town Hall.
- Article 28. Voted \$175 for the Red Cross Swimming Program.
- Article 29. Voted to reappoint the Highway Garage and Fire Station Committee as the Highway Garage and Fire Station Building Committee.
- Article 30. Voted to authorize the Highway Garage Building Committee to expend funds appropriated for construction.
- Article 31. Voted sums recommended in the budget, except that Selectmen's Account be \$2700, General Highways \$15,000, Reserve Fund \$9,900, and Town Reports \$770.
- Article 32. Voted to postpone indefinitely action on the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 33. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell, by sealed bid or public auction, the 1949 Pickup, but to keep the Chevrolet Truck for the present.

BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING August 22, 1966

- Article 1. Voted to transfer \$4,469.30 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.
- Article 2. Voted \$1,900 from Machinery Account for two snow plows and one frame.
- Article 3. Voted \$500 for land damages to Frank C. and Geraldine Grudzien.
- Article 4. Voted to pass over payment of damages on E. Brimfield-Holland Rd. since no funds were available.

Article 5. Voted \$13,257.19 from Chapter 822 and 679 funds for St.Clair Rd. improvement.

Article 6. Voted \$1,000 from Library Assistance Account for use of Library.

The information with regard to these two town meetings is an abstract only.

A 5 x 8 foot flag, which had flown over the Capitol in Washington, was presented to the Town by Senator Edward Kennedy. It is to be flown at the town hall, and was used for the first time in Brimfield on November 8, 1966, at the State election.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Town Hall renovation project is now in its fourth year and we hope to have approval to paint the main hall. The painting of the outside of the building was completed this year.

The eastern end of the Monson-Brimfield road (Chapter 90 construction) has been completed and makes a good approach from the Monson-Brimfield line to Route 20. The Holland-East Brimfield road between the two sections of the relocation project was started and completed this year and has eliminated the very dangerous curve near Boutwell's. Land damage was paid on one area of the Brimfield-Monson road through necessity. Nothing was paid on the Holland-East Brimfield road thanks to the abutters. They felt the road improvement far exceeded the loss of their land. Eight hundred feet of the St. Clair road near the intersection of Dunhamtown-Brimfield Rd. (Chapter 822 & 679) was started and completed this year and makes this area far less dangerous for school busses, emergency vehicles and regular use. Preliminary plans for Hollow Road, Chapter 90 Construction, should be completed and construction on the road should be in progress in 1967. A project of straightening and widening two areas has been considered; one is Dunhamtown-Brimfield Rd. near the Bliss farm and the other the "S" curve on the Dunhamtown-Palmer road. Feeling it would be in the best interest of the town, the Selectmen authorized construction work to be done by other than the Highway Department, due to the backlog of work, and to facilitate completion and thereby not risk the loss of federal and state funds.

The Fire station and Highway Barn was started and has been completed during this past year. The committee is to be thanked and should be proud of their work. The Selectmen felt the Highway Department should plow parking areas at all churches in Brimfield and offered this service to the pastors. The two new snow plows voted for and approved on August 22, 1966 have been purchased, used and proven themselves to be very effective.

The Board contacted the State to try to fix the dangerous curve at Souliere's corner. We hope to get signs in the interim to help eliminate accidents. Contact with the proper officials and a study is now in progress to help the Senior citizens in their purchases of certain items.

The Board of Selectmen hope the voters will pass the article to join with the towns of Holland and Wales in a combined program of recreation for the young people of our communities. The articles on the improvement of lights in the center of town were inserted this year, in hopes they will be approved, thus adding to the safety of pedestrians in this heavily traveled area.

The Board of Selectmen appreciate the fact that the various departments operated within their budgets. Only one special town meeting was held and extra expenses were kept to a minimum. We wish to thank the town officers, committees, employees and residents for their cooperation during the year 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF
SELECTMEN

Richard C. Allen,
Chairman
Frank B. Haley
Norris U. Demetrius

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1966

Commitments as per warrant		\$245,098.89
Abatements refunded		3,176.49
		248,275.38

Cash to Treasurer	\$197,944.13	
To Tax Title	1,028.36	
Abatements	13,682.29	
	212,654.78	212,654.78

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ 35,620.60
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1965

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 37,145.47
To Tax Title	\$ 104.52	
Cash to Treasurer	14,111.30	
	14,215.82	14,215.82

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ 22,929.65
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1964

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 7,378.70
To Tax Title	\$ 96.48	
Cash to Treasurer	2,732.81	
	2,829.29	2,829.29

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ 4,549.41
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1963

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 3,417.88
Abatements refunded		70.00
		3,487.88

To Tax Title	\$ 93.80	
Cash to Treasurer	1,472.11	
	1,566.91	1,566.91

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ 1,920.97
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	<u>1962</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 502.72
To Tax Title	\$ 65.10	
Cash to Treasurer	<u>59.73</u>	
	124.83	124.83
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>377.89</u>

	<u>1961</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 412.42
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 8.10	8.10
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>404.32</u>

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 192.74
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>192.74</u>

	<u>1959</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 161.25
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 11.25	11.25
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>150.00</u>

	<u>1958</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 67.26
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>67.26</u>

Classified Forest Land

	<u>1966</u>	
Commitments as per warrant		\$ 1,403.42
To Tax Title	\$ 11.75	
Cash to Treasurer	<u>1,068.43</u>	
	1,080.18	1,080.18
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>323.24</u>

	<u>1965</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 156.39
To Tax Title	\$ 9.75	
Cash to Treasurer	<u>100.23</u>	
	109.98	109.98
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>46.41</u>

	<u>1964</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 29.58
To Tax Title	\$ 1.08	
Cash to Treasurer	24.48	
	<u>25.56</u>	25.56
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>4.02</u>

	<u>1963</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 3.85
To Tax Title	\$ 1.05	1.05
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>2.80</u>

	<u>1962</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$.93
To Tax Title	\$.93	.93
Outstanding December 31, 1966		<u>0.00</u>

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 19.38
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 11.40	11.40
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>7.98</u>

Motor Vehicle Excise
1966

Commitments as per warrant		\$ 37,777.56
Abatements refunded		491.50
		<u>38,269.06</u>

Cash to Treasurer	\$ 25,002.48	
Abatements	1,398.01	
	<u>26,400.49</u>	26,400.49

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>11,868.57</u>
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	<u>1965</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 9,694.46
Committed in 1966		631.09
Abatements refunded		333.75
		<u>10,659.30</u>

Cash to Treasurer	\$ 3,130.94	
Abatements	746.23	
	<u>3,877.17</u>	3,877.17

Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>6,782.13</u>
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	<u>1964</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 4,116.06
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 233.31	233.31
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>3,882.75</u>

	<u>1963</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 1,939.21
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 179.66	179.66
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>1,759.55</u>

	<u>1962</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 1,536.44
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 254.38	254.38
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>1,282.06</u>

	<u>1961</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 1,239.30
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 247.08	247.08
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>992.22</u>

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ 1,005.41
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 272.00	272.00
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>733.41</u>

	<u>1959</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 160.91
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 8.55	8.55
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>152.36</u>

	<u>1958</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$ 38.41
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 26.36	26.36
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$ <u>12.05</u>

Farm Animal Excise
1966

Commitments as per warrant		\$	168.91
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 139.28		139.28
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$	<u>29.63</u>

1965

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$	58.38
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$	<u>58.38</u>

1964

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$	28.13
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$	<u>28.13</u>

1963

Outstanding January 1, 1966		\$	31.50
Outstanding December 31, 1966		\$	<u>31.50</u>

Resepctfully submitted,
RUBY SMITH

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand		
January 1, 1966	\$106,129.14	
Cash receipts	<u>702,179.48</u>	
		\$808,308.62
Paid on Treasury		
Warrants	749,704.04	
Cash on hand		
December 31, 1966	<u>58,604.58</u>	
		\$808,308.62

Respectfully submitted,
CLARENCE H. KEITH
Treasurer

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Raised by Taxation	\$ 376,785.88
Appropriated from	
Available Funds	50,679.82
State Parks & Reservations	1,081.52
Audit of Municipal Accounts	173.13
County Tax	8,514.13
Motor Vehicle Excise	
Tax Bills	169.05
Overlay of Current Year	<u>8,613.89</u>
Gross Amount to be raised \$	446,052.07
Available Funds &	
Estimated Receipts	\$ 201,608.83
Net Amount to be	
Raised by Taxation	\$ 244,443.24

TAX RATE - \$47.00 per M.

Personal Property Valuation	\$ 469,840.00
Real Estate Valuation	\$4,731,080.00
Total Valuation	\$5,200,920.00
Classified Forest	
Land Tax	\$ 1,393.08
Farm Animal Excise Tax	\$ 168.91
Motor Vehicle	
Excise Tax	\$ 37,777.56

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
JOHN M. HALEY
ANDREW W. GONDEK

**REPORT OF
THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1966**

**RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE**

Taxes:

Personal 1966	\$ 21,241.81	
Real Estate 1966	176,546.99	
Classified Forest Land 1966	1,179.23	
Trailer Tax 1966	2,604.00	
Poll Previous Years	4.00	
Personal Previous Years	737.48	
Real Estate Previous Years	33,455.92	
Classified Forest Land Previous Years	<u>211.83</u>	
		\$235,981.26

Motor Vehicle Excise

Levy of 1966	26,695.58	
Previous Years	<u>8,271.77</u>	
		34,967.35

Farm Animal Excise

Levy of 1966	139.28	
Previous Years	<u>33.75</u>	
		173.03

Comm. of Mass.

State Tax Basis	17,853.89	
Business Corp. Tax	196.45	
Chapt. 69-71 G. L.	511.00	
Meal Tax	1,120.91	
Chapt. 70 G. L.	<u>19,228.33</u>	
		38,910.58

Tax Title Redemptions

84.00

Reimbursements - Loss of Taxes

10,650.30

Valuation Chapt. 660-1963

6,750.00

Licenses and Permits

Gas Inspection	110.00	
Liquor	1,600.00	
All Other	<u>111.50</u>	
		1,821.50

Court Fines		\$	324.25
Grants from Fed. Govt.:			
Old Age Assistance	\$	3,264.75	
Aid to Dependent Children		8,500.86	
Disability Assistance		113.47	
Medical Assistance for Aged		7,777.57	
Medical Assistance		3,610.64	
School Lunch Program		<u>2,395.71</u>	
			25,663.00
Grants from State:			
Vocational Transportation		397.34	
Tuition & Transportation		28,940.00	
Aid to Libraries		500.00	
Chapt. 81 Highway		15,546.54	
State W. H. Compensation		<u>26.57</u>	
			45,410.45
Grants from County:			
Dog Licenses			583.41
Gifts from Individuals:			
Mrs. Margaret Sherman			5,000.00
(Sherman Memorial Library Room)			
			<u>5,000.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE			<u>\$406,319.13</u>

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Town Hall		\$	1,228.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Fire Dept.	\$	50.00	
Services of Dog Officer		<u>933.00</u>	
			983.00
Highway:			
Chapt. 90 Maint. - State		2,499.97	
Chapt. 90 Maint. - County		2,499.97	
Chapt. 679 - Federal		7,324.24	
Machinery Fund		15,415.93	
Chapt. 90 Const. - State		8,030.64	
Chapt. 90 Const. - County		4,015.32	
Workmens Compensation		<u>827.91</u>	
			40,613.98
Public Welfare:			
General Relief		185.65	

Aid to Dependent Children	\$ 8,810.09	
Old Age Assistance	3,510.49	
Medical Aid to Aged	5,856.35	
Veterans Benefits	3,356.00	
Disability Assistance	113.93	
Medical Assistance	<u>1,261.87</u>	\$ 23,094.38
School Lunch Receipts		6,156.69
Library Fines		134.79
Cemetery Receipts		445.00
Phone Booth Commission		79.64
General Interest:		
Interest on Deposits	263.54	
Interest on Taxes	776.84	
Interest on Tax Titles Redeemed	32.15	
Demands	.70	
Interest on Motor Vehicles	382.92	
Interest on Library Funds	<u>306.88</u>	
		<u>1,763.03</u>
TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE		<u>\$ 74,498.51</u>
Municipal Indebtedness		175,000.00
Agency Trust and Investment		
Dog Licenses for County	\$ 711.00	
Federal Withholding	12,089.45	
State Withholding	1,597.29	
County Retirement	<u>1,256.01</u>	
		\$ 15,653.75
Refunds, Returns, Recoveries and Transfers		
Forest Fire	36.50	
School	106.25	
School Lunches	.01	
Old Age Assistance(individual)	109.40	
Medical Aid to Aged(individual)	49.33	
Aid to Dependent Children	302.65	
Returned Checks (Tailing)	9.00	
Sherman Memorial Room	750.00	
Dog License for County	.25	
Library Funds Transfer	891.18	
Stabilization Fund Transfer	27,684.50	
Center School Bldg. Fund Transfer	<u>820.25</u>	
		30,759.32

Cash in Savings January 1, 1966	\$ 4,447.67
Cash on Hand January 1, 1966	<u>106,129.14</u>
	<u>\$812,807.52</u>

PAYMENTS GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator:			
Salary	\$	50.00	
Travel and Dues		<u>17.50</u>	
	\$		67.50
Selectmen:			
Salaries		950.00	
Clerk		<u>300.00</u>	
			1,250.00
Expenses:			
Printing, Stationery & Postage		44.76	
Travel		277.20	
Telephone		215.80	
All Other		<u>260.75</u>	
			798.51
Accountant:			
Salary			1,200.00
Expenses:			
Printing, Stationery & Postage		46.25	
All Other		<u>25.00</u>	
			71.25
Treasurer:			
Salary			650.00
Expenses:			
Printing, Stationery & Postage		180.39	
Surety Bond		173.00	
All Other		<u>47.55</u>	
			400.94
Tax Collector:			
Salary			600.00
Expenses:			
Demands and Costs		14.00	
Printing, Stationery & Postage		459.90	
Surety Bond		268.00	
All Other		<u>15.60</u>	
			757.50
Assessors:			
Salaries		900.00	

Clerk	\$ <u>400.00</u>	\$ 1,300.00
Expenses:		
Printing, Stationery & Postage	250.44	
Travel	137.00	
All Other	<u>27.00</u>	414.44
Certifying Notes		15.00
Finance Committee:		
Salary		25.00
Expenses:		
Dues	10.00	
Travel	<u>11.00</u>	21.00
Town Counsel		100.00
Town Clerk:		
Salary		350.00
Expenses:		
Recording Fees	64.00	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	109.03	
Surety Bond	10.00	
All Other	<u>47.65</u>	230.68
Election & Registration:		
Registrars	132.25	
Election Officers	359.16	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	144.76	
Street List	188.35	
All Other	<u>22.71</u>	847.23
Planning Board:		
No expenditures for 1966		
Town Hall:		
Janitor's Salary		900.00
Expenses:		
Fuel	830.06	
Light	219.75	
Janitor's Supplies	53.89	
Repairs	603.96	
Insurance	122.00	
Painting Contract	<u>2,000.00</u>	3,829.66
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		<u>\$ 13,828.71</u>

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Dept.:			
Wages	\$	464.00	
Equipment		10.00	
All Other		<u>26.00</u>	
			\$ 500.00
Dog Officer: (From Selectmen Acct.)			
Services			468.00
Fire Dept.			
Chief		200.00	
Payroll		<u>883.75</u>	
			1,083.75
Equipment & Repairs:			
Apparatus		881.57	
Hose		157.00	
Gas and Oil		272.15	
Other		<u>152.60</u>	
			1,463.32
Building & Grounds:			
Fuel		248.81	
Signal Tower		885.00	
Rent		<u>750.00</u>	
			1,883.81
Other Expense:			
Printing, Stationery & Postage		27.10	
Telephone		287.72	
Insurance		1,297.35	
Permits		87.00	
Dues		<u>10.00</u>	
			1,709.17
Civil Defense:			
Director's Salary		100.00	
Parts & Repairs		<u>3.16</u>	
			103.16
Gas Inspector Services			110.00
Moth Suppression:			
Labor		177.60	
Insecticides		1.50	
Spraying		525.00	
Travel		14.64	
Comp. Insurance		<u>7.99</u>	
			726.73

Tree Warden		
Salary	\$	50.00
Tree Removal		<u>448.00</u>
	\$	<u>498.00</u>
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	<u><u>8,545.94</u></u>

HEALTH & SANITATION

Health Dept.:		
Salaries		\$ 150.00
Expenses:		
Reservoir Roof Repair	\$	550.00
Medicine & Medical		
Attendance		370.85
Care of Dump		627.25
Barn Inspection		75.00
Board & Treatment		293.73
Other Expenses		<u>24.42</u>
		<u>1,941.25</u>
TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	\$	<u><u>2,091.25</u></u>

HIGHWAYS

General Highway:		
Bridge Repair:		
Supervision		\$ 387.88
Labor	\$	472.18
Lumber & Materials		169.37
Trucks		175.43
Comp. Insurance		38.68
Total Bridge		<u>855.66</u>
		<u><u>1,243.54</u></u>
Snow Removal:		
Supervision:		1,755.01
Labor		3,704.56
Salt & Sand		1,823.05
Trucks		6,057.60
Hired Equipment		168.00
Comp. Insurance		<u>245.69</u>
		<u>11,998.90</u>
Total Snow Removal		<u><u>13,753.91</u></u>
TOTAL GENERAL HIGHWAY	\$	<u><u>14,997.45</u></u>

Highway:

Chapter 81:

Supervision

\$ 2,581.42

Labor

\$ 4,127.29

Trucks

5,829.15

Stone, Gravel & Oil

6,079.87

Hired Equipment

987.13

Comp. Insurance

301.14

Clerk

247.50

All Other

5.95

17,578.03

Total Chapter 81

20,159.45

Highway:

Chapter 90 Maint:

Supervision

193.88

Labor

283.59

Trucks

306.00

Oil, Top, Posts & Culverts

6,656.65

Comp. Insurance

21.48

Clerk

30.00

All Other

8.23

7,305.95

Total Chapter 90 Maint.

7,499.83

Highway:

Chapter 90 Const:

Supervision

1,287.02

Labor

3,108.85

Trucks

3,006.55

Hired Equipment

13,524.01

Culverts, Posts, Top & Oil

9,706.80

Light

40.80

Surveyor

134.82

Petitions

5.00

Clerk

130.00

Comp. Insurance

190.27

29,847.10

Total Chapter 90 Const.

31,134.12

Highway:

Chapter 679-822 St. Clair Rd.

Improvement

Hired Equipment & Labor

9,555.85

Advertising for Bids

13.60

Oil & Tar

619.25

Lumber

20.88

Culverts

2,480.88

Posts	\$	175.80	
Surveyor		<u>390.00</u>	
Total Chapt. 679-822			\$ <u><u>13,256.26</u></u>

Machinery Account:

Supervision		295.75
Labor	207.80	
Telephone	192.45	
Rent	1,000.00	
Parts & Repairs	4,798.97	
Comp. Insurance	22.66	
Gas & Oil	2,141.36	
Heat, Light & Power	614.90	
Insurance	736.54	
All Other	<u>30.15</u>	
		9,744.83
Total Machinery Account		<u><u>10,040.58</u></u>

Street Lighting Account

Streets	1,970.34	
Telephone Booth	<u>29.99</u>	
		<u>2,000.33</u>

Town Pickup Truck Purchase Acct.	1,705.46
Town Truck Purchase Acct.	3,100.00
Town Sander Purchase Acct.	2,850.00
Town Snow Plows Purchase Acct.	<u>1,900.00</u>
	<u><u>9,555.46</u></u>

TOTAL HIGHWAYS

\$ 108,643.48

Public Welfare Dept.

Town Payments

Board Salaries		150.00
Groceries & Provisions	162.87	
Medicine & Medical Attendance	550.10	
Cash Grants to Individuals	45.32	
Aid to Dependent Children	15,059.58	
Old Age Assistance	5,031.79	
Medical Aid to Aged	11,563.98	
Disability Assistance	218.40	
Veterans Benefits	<u>663.65</u>	
		<u>33,295.69</u>

TOTAL TOWN PAYMENTS

\$ 33,445.69

PUBLIC WELFARE

From Federal Funds:

Aid to Dependent Children	\$ 6,286.00	
Old Age Assistance	1,798.82	
Medical Aid to Aged	2,396.59	
Medical Assistance	6,443.99	
Disability Assistance	<u>63.00</u>	
		\$ <u>16,998.40</u>

TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE	\$ <u><u>50,434.09</u></u>
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SCHOOLS

General Administration:

School Committee Salaries	300.00	
Supt. Salary	1,437.96	
Clerks	2,371.98	
Truant Officer	125.00	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	110.34	
Telephone	340.73	
Travel	288.66	
School Census	50.00	
Office Equipment Expense	279.72	
Office Rent	216.48	
All Other	<u>654.76</u>	
		6,175.63

Teachers Salaries	57,544.03	
Substitutes	<u>1,559.00</u>	
		59,103.03

Text Books & Supplies:

Text and Reference Books	1,805.72	
All Other	<u>2,260.60</u>	
		4,066.32

Tuition:

Principal Training	30.00	
Special Education	1,046.64	
Vocational	<u>2,885.20</u>	
		3,961.84

Transportation:

Tantasqua R. H. S.	22,882.50	
Elementary School	9,157.00	
Vocational	<u>971.73</u>	
		33,011.23

Janitor's Services:

Elementary	6,124.79	
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Office	\$ <u>40.17</u>	\$ 6,164.96
Heat, Light & Power:		
Fuel	1,375.20	
Light	<u>1,073.56</u>	2,448.76
Maintenance of Buildings & Grounds:		
Repairs	3,536.51	
Janitor's Supplies	977.36	
All Other	<u>850.00</u>	5,363.87
Furniture:		293.69
Other Expenses:		
Miscellaneous Printing	300.87	
Insurance	<u>10.65</u>	311.52
School Health:		
Physician	201.00	
Nurse	814.00	
All Other	<u>98.04</u>	1,113.04
Tantasqua Regional High School		141,495.52
Teachers Rest Room Addition		820.25
School Building Plan.Com:		
Architect Fees		750.00
School Lunch Program:		
Wages	3,390.35	
Food	5,179.37	
Other	<u>208.01</u>	<u>8,777.73</u>
TOTAL SCHOOLS		<u>\$273,857.39</u>

LIBRARY

Salaries & Wages:		
Librarian	1,200.00	
Assistants	372.78	
Janitor	<u>297.00</u>	1,869.78
Books & Periodicals:		
Books	882.15	

Periodicals	\$ <u>192.10</u>	\$ 1,074.25
Binding Books:		64.15
Fuel & Light		
Fuel	269.70	
Light	<u>193.59</u>	463.29
Buildings:		
Repairs	859.83	
Care of Grounds	60.25	
Janitor's Supplies	<u>15.51</u>	935.59
Other Expenses:		
Printing, Stationery & Postage	111.17	
Telephone	107.17	
All Other	<u>9.63</u>	227.97
TOTAL LIBRARY		\$ <u>4,635.03</u>
Sherman Memorial Library Room		19,118.51

RECREATION

Common		
Labor	298.15	
Tree Removal	<u>280.00</u>	578.15
Red Cross Swimming Program		<u>175.00</u>
TOTAL RECREATION		\$ <u>753.15</u>

UNCLASSIFIED

Land Damages	500.00	
Town Garage & Fire Station	52,600.00	
Town Garage & Fire Station Plans	817.34	
Compensation Insurance	1,027.30	
Blanket Fire Insurance	1,763.20	
Memorial Day	273.42	
Town Reports	770.00	
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00	
Annuities	<u>150.00</u>	
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		\$ <u>57,951.26</u>

CEMETERIES

Labor	\$ 1,058.50	
Repairs	17.95	
Tree Removal	25.00	
Equipment	179.88	
Gas & Oil	21.05	
Outside Labor Contract	<u>60.00</u>	
TOTAL CEMETERIES		\$ <u>1,362.38</u>
M. Dunsmore Memorial Cemetery Wall		1,058.00

INTEREST

Revenue Loan	1,605.76	
Highway Reimbursement Loan	<u>1,922.89</u>	
		\$ <u>3,528.65</u>

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loans	175,000.00
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AGENCY, TRUST & INVESTMENT

State Recreation Areas	1,319.51	
Audit of Municipal Accounts	173.13	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	169.05	
County Tax	8,837.84	
County Retirement Assessment	1,343.00	
Dog Licenses for County	719.25	
Veterans Service District	595.00	
Licenses	150.00	
Tailings	21.00	
Library Trust Funds	891.18	
Federal W.H. Tax	11,318.19	
Mass. W.H. Tax	1,503.52	
County Retirement	<u>1,181.58</u>	
TOTAL AGENCY & TRUST		\$ <u>28,222.25</u>

REFUNDS & TRANSFERS

Taxes	3,505.10	
Motor Vehicle Excise	847.25	
All Other	.25	
Transfer from Savings	<u>820.25</u>	
		<u>5,172.85</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$ <u>754,202.94</u>

CASH

Cash in Savings	\$ 3,890.96	
Cash in Bank	<u>54,713.62</u>	
Total Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		\$ <u>58,604.58</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>\$812,807.52</u></u>



A Volunteer Fire Department supper for benefit of Ambulance Fund

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1966
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities and Reserves</u>	
Cash in Treasury	\$54,713.62	Temporary Loans:	
Cash in Savings	<u>3,890.96</u>	Anticipation of	
		Highway Reimb. 1966	\$ 50,000.00
Accounts Receivable:		Dog Licenses for County	16.50
Taxes:		Payroll Deductions:	
Levy of 1958		Federal Withholding Tax \$	1,653.80
Personal Property	9.12	State Withholding Tax	220.58
Real Estate	58.14	County Retirement System	<u>221.34</u>
Levy of 1959			2,095.72
Personal Property	28.75	War Memorial Gift	117.04
Real Estate	121.25	M. Sherman Memorial	
Levy of 1960		Library Room Gift	801.78
Poll	34.00	Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	79.80	Disability Assistance	262.26
Real Estate	29.64	Medical Assistance	3,422.07
Levy of 1961		Medical Assistant Adm.	9.80
Poll	30.00	Aid to Dependent Children	2,142.05
Personal Property	80.10	Aid to Dependent	
Real Estate	37.80	Children Adm.	105.23

Levy of 1962			Old Age Assistance	\$ 3,362.89	
Poll	\$	46.00	Old Age Assistance Adm.	1.44	
Personal Property		53.01	National Defense		
Real Estate		180.11	Education Act	<u>161.96</u>	\$ 9,467.70
Levy of 1963					
Poll		66.00	State Grant:		
Personal Property		114.45	Center School Bldg.		
Real Estate		1,303.16	Const. Fund		1,467.83
Levy of 1964			Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		70.00
Personal Property		80.64	Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,950.00
Real Estate		4,069.95	Receipts Reserved for		
Levy of 1965			Appropriation		
Personal Property		289.38	Road Machinery Fund	6,580.88	
Real Estate		8,164.06	Compensation Ins.Fund	<u>662.96</u>	7,243.84
Levy of 1966			Excess Tax Title Sale	95.11	
Personal Property		657.61	Tailings Outstanding Checks	158.30	
Real Estate		<u>35,991.95</u>	Account Balances:		
		\$51,524.72	Machinery Account	362.36	
Motor Vehicle &			Chapt. 91 Stream Clearance	1,000.00	
Trailer Excise			Chapt. 90 Construction	4,995.00	
Levy of 1958		27.11	Civil Defense	491.20	
Levy of 1959		152.36			
Levy of 1960		733.41	Overlays Reserved for		
Levy of 1961		905.88	Abatements		
Levy of 1962		1,262.56	Levy of 1962	279.12	

Levy of 1963	\$ 1,783.66	Levy of 1963	\$ 1,483.61
Levy of 1964	3,731.29	Levy of 1964	<u>3,050.22</u>
Levy of 1965	5,631.25		\$ 4,812.95
Levy of 1966	<u>9,749.73</u>		
Farm Animal Excise		Reserve Fund	
Levy of 1963	31.50	Overlay Surplus	3,282.60
Levy of 1964	28.50	Revenue Reserved:	
Levy of 1965	24.63	Until collected	
Levy of 1966	<u>29.63</u>	Motor Vehicle &	
		Trailer Excise	23,977.25
Classified Forest		Farm Animal Excise	114.26
Land Taxes		Classified Forest Land	253.84
Levy of 1960	7.98	Tax Title & Possessions	6,749.51
Levy of 1963	.70	Departmental	506.64
Levy of 1964	1.08	Aid to Highways	<u>54,001.90</u>
Levy of 1965	19.89		85,603.40
Levy of 1966	<u>224.19</u>		
Tax Titles and Possessions		Surplus Revenue	
Tax Titles	6,221.89	Current Year	18,259.10
Tax Possessions	<u>527.62</u>	Prior Years	<u>63,516.07</u>
Departmental			<u>81,775.17</u>
Aid to Dependent Children	475.07	Trust & Investment Funds:	\$255,806.50
		Cash & Securities:	
		In custody of Treasurer	54,649.27
		Harriet Harding Fund	3,682.65

Old Age Assistance	\$ 31.57	Harriet Allen School Fund	\$ 1,207.03
Aid to Highways		Mary Burns School Fund	1,560.21
State	36,501.90	Library Funds	
County	<u>17,500.00</u>	Mary Hyde	\$ 831.50
Underestimated		Ursala Shaw	2,878.90
1966 State		Endocia Flynt	103.52
Recreation Areas	237.99	Albert Tarbell	200.00
1966 County Tax	<u>323.71</u>	Julia Coy	645.04
Reimbursement due		Elizabeth Robinson	411.41
Town from State		Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00
& County Allotments		Emily Wood	500.00
Highways		Mary Burns	<u>1,000.00</u>
Chapt. 81 Maint.	4,001.35		7,570.37
Chapt. 90 Maint.	4,999.83	James O. Lincoln	
Chapt. 90 Const.	<u>21,577.97</u>	Library Building	3,857.18
Overdrawn Appropriations		Chamberlain Smith	
Fire Station & Town Garage		Historical Fund	540.83
Interest Account		Pearsall Monument	
Underestimated		Fence Fund	173.60
Overlay 1965	234.00	Bliss Cemetery Gate Fund	57.54
Overlay 1966	<u>2,065.34</u>	Cemetery Wall Fund	420.13
Overdrawn Non-		Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fund	586.79
Appropriation Account		Cemetery Perpetual Care	
School Lunches		Funds - Principal	20,154.36
		Cemetery Perpetual Care	
		Funds - Interest	<u>14,838.58</u>
			\$ 54,649.27
	189.26		
	<u>\$255,806.50</u>		

1966

TOWN APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

<u>Account</u>	<u>Other Source</u>	<u>From Approp.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Moderator	-	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 67.50	\$ 2.50
Selectmen	-	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,626.51	73.49
Town Accountant	-	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,271.25	78.75
Town Treasurer	-	1,135.00	1,135.00	1,050.94	84.06
Tax Collector	-	1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.50	-
Tax Assessors	\$ 80.00	1,652.00	1,732.00	1,714.44	17.56
Town Clerk	-	600.00	600.00	580.68	19.32
Finance Committee	-	75.00	75.00	46.00	29.00
Certifying Notes	-	20.00	20.00	15.00	5.00
Town Counsel	-	100.00	100.00	100.00	-
Planning Board	-	50.00	50.00	-	50.00
Election & Registration	-	875.00	875.00	847.23	27.77
Town Hall	-	5,100.00	5,100.00	4,729.66	370.34
Police Department	-	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Fire Department	885.00	5,285.37	6,170.37	6,103.55	66.82
Moth Suppression	-	800.00	800.00	726.73	73.27
Tree Warden	-	500.00	500.00	498.00	2.00
Civil Defense	344.36	250.00	594.36	103.16	491.20
Health Department	-	3,200.00	3,200.00	2,091.25	1,108.75
General Highway	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	14,997.45	2.55
Chapt. 81	17,600.00	2,560.00	20,160.00	20,159.45	.55
Chapt. 90M.	5,000.00	2,500.00	7,500.00	7,499.83	.17

Chapt. 90C.	15,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00	5.00	19,995.00
Chapt. 678 & 822	13,257.19	-	13,257.19	13,256.26	.93
Street Lighting	-	2,229.00	2,229.00	2,000.33	228.67
Public Assistance	611.38	32,500.00	33,111.38	32,782.04	329.34
Vet. Service Dist.	-	595.00	595.00	595.00	-
Vet. Benefits	-	3,000.00	3,000.00	663.65	2,336.35
School Department	815.25	121,527.91	122,343.16	122,263.89	79.27
Tantasqua R. H. S.	-	141,495.52	141,495.52	141,495.52	-
Library	1,890.29	2,745.83	4,636.12	4,635.03	1.09
Annuities	-	150.00	150.00	150.00	-
Red Cross Program	-	175.00	175.00	175.00	-
Common	280.00	400.00	680.00	578.15	101.85
Memorial Day	-	280.00	280.00	273.42	6.58
Property Insurance	-	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,763.20	36.80
Town Reports	-	770.00	770.00	770.00	-
Workmen's Comp. Insurance	847.92	179.38	1,027.30	1,027.30	-
County Aid to Agriculture	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
County Retirement Assessment	-	1,343.00	1,343.00	1,343.00	-
Cemetery	-	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,362.38	137.62
Interest on Loan	-	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,528.65	(-) 1,528.65
Reserve Fund	-	9,900.00	9,900.00	1,745.00	8,155.00
Totals	\$56,611.39	\$373,320.51	\$429,931.90	\$397,548.95	\$32,382.95

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

There was little activity this past year. Several plans for subdivisions were submitted for appropriate action.

We regret the resignation of John A. Hayward due to change in residence. John was a great assistance to us.

Mr. Donald B. Norton was appointed to succeed him until the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

PERRY WESTON, Chairman
HAROLD E. HITCHCOCK
JAMES C. HATCH
ERNEST G. ROBERTS
DONALD B. NORTON

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

The Brimfield Police have traveled nearly 5850 miles this year patrolling the highways in the town. The police officers have been on duty 2410 hours - nights, Sundays, holidays, weekdays and emergencies. The average compensation for the active men has been \$45 each for the year. The officers have been compensated by those engaging them for dances, auctions and special duty.

Thirty-six written warnings, forty complaints and four arrests were made this year, many resulting in court attendance. In some cases the fines were paid by mail. Court dispositions were made for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving without a license, causing a disturbance, allowing an improper person to operate a vehicle, speeding, improper equipment, and red light violation. Thirty-nine summons were served to residents of Brimfield for other police departments. Fourteen accidents were investigated. Accident reports on twenty-nine accidents were received from 35 persons involved.

The cooperation of the Massachusetts State Police, Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles and the neighboring town police departments has been of great assistance to the Brimfield Police Department. Cooperation has been received from the residents of Brimfield and has made our job much easier.

The services the police officers have performed have kept accidents and other complaints to a minimum. Most residents never hear of the good and the services these men perform. They have always willingly given their services regardless of weather or time of day. The Brimfield Police Department and my work has been made easier through the cooperation and efforts of these officers and I again wish to congratulate and thank them all.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. ALLEN,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

The spring of 1966 gave us a lot of trouble in regard to grass, brush and woodland fires. Eight-tenths of these fires took place in the western part of the town. The cost of these fires was also high.

Department activities for 1966 were as follows:

Grass fires	11
Brush and woodlands	11
Truck fires	4
Dump fires	2
House fires	8
Cottage fires	1
Cabin fires	1
Garage fires	1
Dog house at kennel	1
2 dogs and 7 pups	
Flooded oil burner	1
Fires reported by tower	3

I am grateful to the town's people for obtaining open air fire permits. Over 380 permits were issued by me last year. I hope this practice will continue in the future. Permits may be obtained by calling 245-7732 between the hours of 6 and 6:30 in the morning or 6 and 6:30 in the evening. Permits for open fires should be obtained for any day during the year. Permits are required for the following, to install and alter fuel oil equipment and to store fuel oil and gasoline.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of this town for all the assistance they have given the fire department. I would like to thank the fire departments from Monson, Wales and Sturbridge who have assisted me in fighting many of our fires.

We are working on a 1000 gallon tanker and hope it will be available soon.

We moved into our new Fire Station on October 29, 1966. Open house was held October 30th. Opening was visited by many.

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT H. GENDREAU
Fire Chief

AMBULANCE SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1966

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year as follows:

The Department had calls from 50 local residents, including accidents. There were 28 out-of-town calls from Wales and Holland, with a total of 78 calls and 1531 miles of driving during the year.

The Ambulance Service has had a busy year, with increased activity over previous years. It becomes ever more evident that in outlying areas, such as Brimfield, Wales and Holland, which have no resident physician, the ambulance provides very necessary medical security.

The Fire Department staged an Annual Supper in February, Firemen's Dance in April, Easter Special in April and Lawn Party in July, from which all proceeds received were used to help defray the expenses of the Ambulance Service. Our sincere thanks are extended to those residents who supported these projects, which are very necessary, since the ambulance is not self-supporting.

Residents are transported free of charge to the Palmer, Southbridge, Stafford Springs and Ware Hospitals, and only a nominal charge is made for transportation to other institutions which involve a greater driving distance. Again we extend sincere thanks to those patients who made a voluntary contribution to the Ambulance Fund.

The members of the Department who hold a certificate for the Advanced First Aid Course were very helpful during the year. Anyone who wishes to become a part of the team may do so by contacting the Fire Department.

Over a period of years proceeds from Ambulance Fund Projects have been set aside toward the purchase of another ambulance, when replacement appeared necessary. During the summer of 1966 the department purchased a 1963 Pontiac Ambulance, to replace the 1957 Pontiac, which we feel certain will give good service.

May I again stress the telephone number to be called when in need of ambulance service - 245-7222. Also, may we again request your cooperation, especially involving calls

to be made at homes located off the main roads, by having someone stationed at the main road to lead the ambulance. Many precious minutes can be lost, seeking directions to homes located on unmarked roads. Street signs are frequently difficult to read, even in the daytime, and the exact location of all the roads in the three towns serviced, cannot be known to all the drivers. Even on a main road, the front porch light lit and someone stationed outside to flag the ambulance down can often save valuable time.

We hope for everyone's consideration during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE,

Secretary

Brimfield Volunteer
Fire Department



NEW FIRE STATION AND AMBULANCE

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

My appointment as Civil Defense Director was made by the Selectmen March, 1966, for the ensuing year.

The four Radiological Monitoring Kits received during 1964 were thoroughly checked in November of this year by Mr. William Linahand, Director of Sector 4-A.

Radio communication tests and exercises are to begin again shortly and Brimfield is in need of a Radio Officer.

I have not asked for an appropriation for 1967, because I feel that there are sufficient funds in the account for this year.

Your Civil Defense Director wishes to thank all C.D. personnel and citizens of Brimfield for their cooperation during this year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. KENNETH SILVIUS

Director of
Civil Defense

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

During the year I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 26 dogs, disposed of 34 dogs, 3 dogs hit on highway, 5 puppies turned in, left by mother dog. I have investigated 5 complaints of dogs biting children, biting cattle and chasing cars.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MOREAU

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR 1966

Immunization clinics sponsored by the Board of Health, under the direction of Health Officers, Dr. John Rigatti and Marylou Antonovitch, R.N. were held, offering small pox vaccination, immunization against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and polio.

Measle vaccine was offered for the first time and the response was gratifying. However, parents must plan a child's immunization program so that they do not receive measles vaccine with other immunizations.

The Board of Health sponsored tuberculosis and diabetic testing among school children and their families.

A good preventive program has been well established in Brimfield and it is hoped more people will take advantage of it.

An Anti-Rabies Clinic for dogs was sponsored and held under the direction of Stewart K. Harvey, D.V.M. The response of the canine population was excellent.

The Board of Health wishes to express their appreciation to the Mothers Club, Police Department and other individuals for their valuable assistance during the year.

The work authorized in repairing and roofing of the town water supply is completed.

The passing of Mr. George Tetreault was a great loss to the community. Mr. Tetreault served as Animal Inspector for several years.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD J. KILLIAN,
Chairman
ROGER G. OSTERHELD,
M. D.
VIOLET G. LOUX, R. N.
Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As Chairman of the Board of Public Welfare, it is with some regret that I must inform you and the residents of Brimfield, that our Brimfield - Holland Welfare District has now become affiliated with the South Eastern Welfare District, comprising the Towns of Monson, Hampden, Wales, Holland and Brimfield with headquarters in Monson.

This action was taken for the purpose of cutting Administration costs, plus improved service to our welfare recipients.

As of June 1, 1967, all District offices must have as personnel one District Manager or Agent, one Clerk and one Social Worker, which would have doubled the expense of our District Office. Your Welfare Committee gave this matter careful consideration and discussion, having been informed there was an opportunity for us to merge with the other three towns as aforementioned; therefore your Welfare Committee decided, rather than hire two additional workers at a cost of eight or nine thousand dollars, for such a small case load, it was deemed advisable to merge with the other three towns under which we are now operating, with headquarters at the Monson Town Hall.

We hope that this procedure will meet with the approval of the residents of our Town.

Yours respectfully,
Public Welfare Board

HOMER PARKER
TIMOTHY DENNING
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH,
Chairman

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

1966 has been a year of change, challenge, turmoil, and bureaucratic chaos. The increased interest in the "Great Society", the planning for the disadvantaged by Federal and State, the many new service agencies which have sprung up to deal with the multiple problems of the poor, the struggle of local welfare directors to meet the increased medical costs with a diminishing budget, the advent of Medicare and Medicaid (Title 19), and the battle of State vs. Local Administration, made the year a momentous and busy one.

The Federal government, through its Social Security Administration, undertook to underwrite medical insurance for those who were over 65, and this was inaugurated on July 1, 1966. It was expected that this move on the part of the Government would result in lowering the costs to the taxpayer. On the heels of Medicare came Medicaid and this, the medical assistance program commonly referred to as "From Basket to Casket", proved to be more costly than anticipated. Its liberality, however, will prove beneficial to those with limited income, and will mean that many children, and adults also, will be able to receive medical attention which would otherwise be denied them.

Welfare departments were involved in Head-Start programs, Anti-poverty programs, surplus food commodity distribution, organizing recreational facilities in their communities, and involved in battling the ranks of the so-called professional social workers who advocate State Administration - both fiscal and administrative.

This group spent thousands of dollars to prepare a book and blanket the newspapers with adverse criticism of the current system, and presented to the public and the General Court a grandiose plan of new community centers, built and staffed, and directed by high-priced personnel, with the Commissioner of Public Welfare as absolute head of the department. Under the proposed system, clients would actually lose the right of appeal, and critical of the number of welfare offices now servicing the people, the new proposal would actually increase the number of welfare centers - at a greater cost to the taxpayer. If economy is the clarion call, the proposed idea of the State assuming fiscal responsibility would, in the final analysis, be more expensive to small communities, for they would end up contributing to

the welfare costs of large cities, who find the present system costly.

As for the efficiency of the local offices, let me quote the Public Welfare Review, published by the U. S. Government. "Massachusetts compares well with other states in its willingness to assume financial responsibility for human needs. It ranks far above the national average in the amount of monthly payments to families with dependent children, to the disabled and the blind. It is above average in general relief payments, old age assistance, and medical assistance. It ranks third among all states in a national study of the accuracy and promptness with which it established eligibility and provided assistance for ADC families." This, in spite of the fact that its salaries for social workers are generally lower than those in other New England States. If the administration is so inefficient and workers apparently underpaid, how is so superior a record achieved?

We acknowledge that changes are necessary for public welfare to continue to lead in service in the community, and the Administrators of this state, local heads, propose legislation each year which benefit the clientell they service. More needs to be done, and will be done, with the General Court's help.

Here, in Brimfield, a more comprehensive area of service is being required - with more social services for our clients offered. With this in mind, and planning for the future, as well as an economic measure, the town of Brimfield, as part of the Brimfield - Holland Welfare District, joined with another district to form the newly reorganized Southeast Hampden Welfare District with its headquarters in Monson.

Here professional personnel, and qualified clerical staff, can operate efficiently and economically to minister to the communities' needs, and be the leaders in inaugurating new programs to aid or rehabilitate those requiring their services. We shall certainly try to be equal to the task.

ALBERT R. DUPSHA, Director
ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH,
Chairman
HOMER PARKER, Clerk
TIMOTHY DENNING

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance the resurfacing of the Warren Road was continued for an approximate distance of 5,000 feet in a southerly direction. Oil was applied to the Warren-Sturbridge Road, and a traffic line was painted on the Holland Road.

Chapter 90 Construction Account (1964) was brought to a close with the completion of the Monson Road.

Under Chapter 90 Construction (1965) 1,000 feet on the Holland-East Brimfield Road was rebuilt. This work was authorized by the selectmen and was done by Harold Hitchcock.

Under Chapter 81 brush cutting in various areas was done as necessary.

The following roads were re-oiled as specified by the State Engineer:

- Five Bridges Road - 6,700 feet
- Paige Hill Road - 600 feet
- Haynes Hill Road - 2,100 feet
- Mill Lane Road - 900 Feet
- Russell Road - 500 feet
- Dunhamtown-Palmer - 5,600 feet
- John Haley - 7,800 feet
- Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road - 4,500 feet
- Little Alum Road - 800 feet
- East Hill - 2,400 feet
- Devil's Lane - 2,100 feet
- Little Rest Road - 2,400 feet
- Adams Way - 1,060 feet
- West Brimfield-Palmer Road - 2,100 feet
- Harnois Road - 500 feet

The following roads were oiled initially as specified by the State Engineer:

- Millbrook - 2,500 feet
- Sutcliffe - 1,500 feet

New culverts were put in on Haynes Hill Road, Dunhamtown-Palmer Road, Little Alum Road, and Marsh Hill Road.

Under General Highway the cost of snow removal and sanding during the months of January and February ran very high due to several unanticipated severe storms. An extra appropriation was granted by the town because of this expenditure.

We appreciate your calls as to the road conditions and problems.

It should be noted here that it becomes increasingly difficult to hire men capable of operating the town equipment at the low rate of pay authorized by the selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. WELLS, JR.

Highway Surveyor and
Highway Superintendent

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE 1966

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 193.88
John Stanton	151.58
Edward Clarke	60.13
George Boutwell	50.88
Robert Hanna	21.00
Workman's Compensation, Inc.	21.48
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	30.00
Machinery Account	306.00
John J. Hudson Co.	533.20
Palmer Bituminous	5,338.45
Dev-a-Line Company	385.00
Springfield Union	3.23
Hampden County	5.00
Commonwealth of Mass. (Norfolk Industries)	<u>400.00</u>
Total	\$7,499.83

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1964

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$1,156.39
John Stanton	803.48
Richard Erban	314.03
Norry L. Demetrius	245.00
Edward Clarke	538.08
Robert Hanna	95.00
Richard Crafts	112.00

George Boutwell	\$ 489.08
Elizabeth Wells	120.00
Workman's Compensation, Ins.	167.42
Webster and Webster	634.56
Machinery Fund	2,700.65
Harold Hitchcock - trucks	637.50
sander	30.00
backhoe	544.00
dozer	1,344.00
roller	80.00
William Jurczyk - dozer	2,114.00
Webster and Webster - trucks	306.50
Henry Sorensen - grader	325.00
Harold Hitchcock - stone	285.00
hay	75.00
gravel	765.20
New England Metal Culvert	2,548.82
Cement Well and Drain	16.00
D. B. Cotton	94.50
Donel Supply	40.80
Camosse Brothers	153.12
Commonwealth of Mass. (South Walpole)	190.40
Commonwealth of Mass. (Norfolk)	53.50
Monson Sand	7.37
Howlett Lumber	72.10
William Jurczyk (powder)	80.95
John J. Hudson Co.	1,435.96
Webster and Webster	276.00
Haley Grain	30.20
Dev-a-Line Co.	300.00
Palmer Bituminous	374.40
Total	\$19,556.01

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1965

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 130.63
John Stanton	102.13
Robert Hanna	12.00
Richard Supernault	7.00
Alfred Wigglesworth	20.00
Arthur Moreau	14.00
Walter Waite	218.30
Phillip Henderson	138.75
Insurance	22.85
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	10.00
Machinery	305.90

John Goodhall	\$ 48.00
Edward Artruc	72.00
Richard Lawrence	124.00
Cheney Lawrence	124.00
Cheney Lawrence (brush clipper)	115.50
William Jurczyk	672.00
Richard Goddard	286.00
Harold Hitchcock (truck 7.50)	435.00
(truck 6.50)	1,872.00
(loader)	1,536.00
(dozer)	1,540.00
(backhoe)	493.00
(tractor)	26.00
(roller)	24.00
Metal Culvert	999.60
Walpole Industries	133.89
Norfolk Industries	45.00
Camosse	178.62
Palmer Bituminous	35.70
Harold Hitchcock (gravel)	804.10
John J. Hudson (oil)	864.04
Haley's Grain Store	27.98
Kenneth Sherman	<u>134.82</u>
Total	\$11,573.11

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1966

Hampden County Commissioners	\$ 5.00
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CHAPTER 81

Daniel H. Wells	\$2,581.42
John Stanton	2,002.70
Norry Demetrius	547.76
Richard Crafts	249.38
Edward Clarke	521.51
Richard Erban	171.98
George Boutwell	505.36
Richard Supernault	7.00
Robert Martin	60.80
Robert Hanna	60.80
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	247.50
Workman's Compensation Ins.	301.14
Henley Lundgren Co.	69.56
Palmer Bituminous Corp.	1,032.30
John J. Hudson Co.	3,986.16
New England Metal Culvert	508.85
William Jurczyk	58.25

Harold Hitchcock	(gravel)	\$ 483.00
	(broom)	144.00
	(trucks)	329.38
Poirer Brothers	(truck)	39.00
	(backhoe)	416.50
Machinery Maintenance		5,829.15
Springfield Union		<u>5.95</u>
Total		\$20,159.45

GENERAL HIGHWAY

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.		\$2,142.89
John Stanton		1,521.86
Robert Martin		998.45
Leo Lavigne		105.95
Robert Hanna		537.98
Charles Sherman		112.00
Walter Burnham		88.00
Norris Demetrius		133.00
Sumner D. Barr		47.50
Alan Demetrius		7.60
Robert Murray		12.00
Frederick Prentiss		22.80
John Sherman		194.00
Richard Demetrius		85.50
Robert Gilman		28.50
Henry McVeigh		14.80
Norry Demetrius		66.50
Richard Crafts		7.00
Edward Clarke		62.10
George Boutwell		36.20
Richard Erban		15.20
Workman's Compensation Ins.		284.37
David Williams		79.80
Machinery Fund		6,233.03
Harold Hitchcock	(dozer)	84.00
	(Michigan)	84.00
	(sand)	1,175.00
New England Metal Culvert		169.37
Salt		<u>648.05</u>
Total		\$14,997.45

Balance 2.55

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$ 295.78
John Stanton	118.00
Robert Martin	60.80
Robert Hanna	16.00
Walter J. Burnham	13.00
Workman's Compensation Ins.	22.66
Atlantic Refining Co.	721.84
Mobil Oil Co.	1,277.17
Gilman's Service Station	234.48
Southbridge Tire Co.	1,151.61
United Petroleum	1,000.00
Tyler Equipment	472.07
Brimfield Oil Co.	579.18
William D. Spooner	754.54
Bousquet's Auto Parts	122.34
Monson Repair	265.50
Palmer Auto Parts	52.75
New England Telephone	192.45
J. Russel Co.	83.35
Ferrara Springs	65.49
Valley Motor	101.84
Texas Refinery	122.80
Massachusetts Electric	35.72
Mack Truck Sales	27.41
Walker Motor	17.72
Edward Bolaski	65.00
Tri County Contractors	267.81
International Harvester	67.92
Haley's Grain Store	54.42
Graves Equipment	486.09
D. B. Cotton	26.00
Sherman Chevrolet	17.70
Yahn Engineering	5.87
Jake's Crown Service	633.32
Bureau of Excise	3.00
Zabek Motor	45.00
Agawam Tool	38.25
Griswold Glass	14.06
Brimfield Auto Tires	179.18
General Machines	230.00
New England Wheel	19.09
Jann's Lawn Mower Service	5.00
Springfield Union	3.40
E. G. Roberts	<u>75.00</u>
Total	\$10,040.58

FIRE STATION AND TOWN GARAGE BUILDING COMMITTEE

As directed at the annual Town Meeting 1966, your committee proceeded to get bids and build the Fire Station and Town Garage. E.G.Roberts, Inc. of Brimfield was low bidder, and was awarded the contract.

Due to the fine cooperation of Mr. Roberts, we were able to build the building as specified, and also obtained the following extras for the amount appropriated:

Prepare site	Waterproof floors
New well, pump and pipe to fire station	Brick front of fire station
Angle irons on all doors	Black-top driveway
Install eaves troughs	Grade and seed
Fire station letters	Install fence
	Work bench

The building was completed and turned over to the Highway and Fire Departments on November 1, 1966.

Town Garage and Fire Station Building
Committee

FRANK B. HALEY,
Chairman
MERRILL SPEAR, Clerk
DANIEL H. WELLS, Jr.
ALBERT H. GENDREAU



NEW TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TANTASQUA REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Tantasqua Regional School District has seen some very important developments during the year 1966. The highlight of these advances is the full utilization of the school for an Adult Education Program.

The Adult Education program is supported by the nominal fee charged to the participants. The program was started in October and ran for ten weeks. It offered the following subjects: Improvement of English, Great Books, Modern Math for parents, Ceramics, Typing, French, Secretarial Practice and Transcription, and Art. The program was very well attended and this was very encouraging to this committee.

In October, we also started an Adult Education program in the Vocational High School. We offered Machine Shop and Welding two nights each week, three hours per night, for twenty weeks. The courses needed a minimum of sixteen people per course, and this requirement was met. In 1967, we plan to offer Carpentry, Drafting and Vocational Math in addition to the present courses.

Once again, we had the summer school program, which has shown an increase each year it has been held. This year the enrollment was 121. Many students come from outside the region to attend this self-supporting program.

School started in September with very few problems. We showed an increase in enrollment of 3.51%, which means we are now operating at 91% efficiency, when measured against state standards.

Another important development during 1966 was the law concerning collective bargaining, which went into effect February 15th. This committee has bargained collectively with the Tantasqua Teachers' Association, and signed a contract on Working Conditions, Salary Schedules, and grievance procedure. This contract will help to uplift the educational standard of Tantasqua.

We have excellent working conditions at Tantasqua with very few problems. One problem was the Teachers' dining area. It was a dark and crowded space in the cafeteria not conducive to teachers' morale. This condition was correct-

ed by construction of a wall, thus making a larger area. This space, refurnished, and the carpet will serve twofold, being quieter and easier to clean and maintain.

The revised set of salary schedules, negotiated with the teachers, is one of the best in the state and thus will guarantee bargaining position to get the best possible professional staff to achieve the educational standards to which this committee and region are dedicated.

We need a top flight professional staff to keep up with the educational advancements and procedures which are being introduced all the time. These people will have many recommendations and innovations to achieve our goal.

We are very proud of our young people who participate in the extra curricular activities and athletic program for their good sportsmanship and achievements. There are two teams that have outstanding records and deserve recognition. They are the Cross Country Team, which has won the last 51 consecutive meets, and the Match Wits team, which won four consecutive contests and the finals on the Match Wits program.

The front driveway was resurfaced, adding to safety and general appearance of Tantasqua. This is another step in our continuous program to maintain our investment.

1966 was an active year for our subcommittees. These committees do the investigation, evaluation and negotiation, and bring to the full committee their findings and recommendations. These committees do a great deal of work, such as the following:

1. Building: This committee has continued to do a fine job to maintain the plant and grounds, including the long awaited rebuilding of our football field. It has overseen the improvements and repairs to the plant during 1966.
2. Budget: The committee has analyzed the cost of operating the school during the past years and the anticipated expenditures in the future to arrive at the 1967 budget. They have maintained close surveillance over the budget for 1966 and will continue in 1967.
3. Policy: They formulate the guide lines that any public institution must have in order to function in an orderly fashion. With the laws constantly being changed and new laws

being enacted, they must revise and formulate new policies. To this end, they devote a great deal of time to keep up with the changes and the research involved.

4. There are several more subcommittees which also perform important functions. However, to describe all that they have done would require much space and time. Suffice it to say that they have worked hard to attain the high educational goals which the people and the Tantasqua Regional School Committee have set.

The Tantasqua Regional District School Committee once again pledges itself to provide the best possible educational programs as determined by the Region's ability to pay. This has been the committee's philosophy and will continue to be. We are succeeding, and our success is your success. The Tantasqua Regional District School Committee thanks you for the support and assistance extended.

Sturbridge
Brimfield

ALVIN W. GREENE, Chairman
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT,
Vice Chairman

Sturbridge
Brookfield
Brimfield
Brookfield
Sturbridge
Brookfield
Holland
Sturbridge
Sturbridge
Wales

JOHN R. WEAVER, Secretary
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ARNOLD R. BEATON
JOHN G. DOCWRA
HAROLD J. ELLIS, JR.
WILLIAM FONGEALLAZ
MRS. BLANCHE HICKLAND
LOREN MANBECK
ALEXANDER WALL
MRS. VIRGINIA YELINEK

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
OF THE
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1966

School Committee

Johnstone Prescott, Chairman & Representative	Term expires 1969
to Tantasqua Committee	
Raymond Roberts, Secretary	1968
Mrs. Perry Weston	1967

Superintendent of Schools

Robert A. Watson

Office Hours – 8:30 – 4:30 P.M.

Telephone 1-617-347-3077 Office

Principal of Elementary School

Arthur H. Bush

Office Hours – 8:30 – 3:45 P.M.

Telephone 245-3326 School

School Physician

John L. Rigatti, M.D.

Telephone 1-617-347-3634

School Nurse

Mrs. Mary Lou Antonovitch, R.N.

Supervisor of Attendance

Edward E. Sheeran

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Information will be broadcast over station WARE and WESO between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 A.M.

NO SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Tantasqua Regional High School, by decision of the Tantasqua School Committee, will be open on all regular school days, regardless of the weather, unless some emergency develops at the school itself, or when the superintendent announces that there will be no school.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and the high school by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high school is made by the superintendent of schools.

ENTRANCE AGE OF PUPILS

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Last Monday of each month throughout year at 7:30 P.M. at Elementary School.

TANTASQUAREGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND UNION #61

1967-68 SCHOOL CALENDAR

<u>September</u>					<u>October</u>					<u>November</u>				
	6	7	8		2	3	4	5	6		1	2	--	
11	12	13	14	15	9	10	11	--	13	6	7	8	9	10
18	19	20	21	22	16	17	18	19	20	13	14	15	16	17
25	26	27	28	29	23	24	25	26	27	20	21	22	--	--
					30	31				27	28	29	30	
<u>December</u>					<u>January</u>					<u>February</u>				
				1	--	2	3	4	5			1	2	
4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	5	6	7	8	9
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<u>March</u>					<u>April</u>					<u>May</u>				
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18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	29	30				27	28	29	--	--
					<u>June</u>									
					3	4	5	6	7					
					10	11	12	13	14					
					17	18	19	20	21					
					24	25								

Sept. 5	Opening Workshop & Preparation			
Sept. 6	First Full day for pupils			
May 29	Last day of classes for Seniors			
June 2	Baccalaureate			
June 9	Graduation			
1st quarter - Sept. 6, Nov. 10	Report Cards	11/16	46	days
2nd quarter - Nov.13, Jan. 19	"	1/26	41	days
3rd quarter -Jan. 22, Mar. 29	"	4/15	45	days
4th quarter - Apr. 1, June 25	"		54	days
	Total		186	days

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1966

Distribution of Minors	5 yrs. or over and under 7	7 yrs. or over and under 21	Illiterate minors 16 yrs. or over and under 21
Boys	30	212	
Girls	<u>32</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	62	407	1

Distribution of above Minors:

In Public/day school membership	32	369	
In Vocational school membership		25	
In private school membership	11	10	
In State and County Institutions and special schools		1	
Not enrolled in any day school	<u>19</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	62	407	1

Elementary School Enrollment as of October 1, 1966:

Grade 1	35
Grade 2	29
Grade 3	43
Grade 4	37
Grade 5	42
Grade 6	<u>37</u>
Total	223

Pupils attending Tantasqua 204

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Tempus fugit! And it is now time for another annual report. Like the world we live in, report writing presents a paradox: there is so much to say and so little space in which to say it.

Curriculum revision continues at all levels. The elementary social studies committee has worked assiduously during the past year and is about ready to recommend a text book adoption. With the prospect of an affiliation with the University of Connecticut, the English committee hopes ultimately to spearhead revision in this subject.

At the Burgess Elementary School, one first grade section is using the new Sullivan Programmed Reading Series. Although it is still early to determine what consequences this may have for the future of reading instruction in Union #61, we are extremely encouraged with results to date.

In order to help poor readers improve, we are participating in a Title I project under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act passed by Congress last year. We received a maximum grant of \$33,000 to be used in Wales, Brimfield, Brookfield and Sturbridge. This made it possible to purchase supplies and equipment and hire additional teachers to work with small groups of boys and girls.

Moreover, under this same Act our District received a Title II grant of \$5220 for the purpose of improving library services. Title III of this Act provides funds for the "advancement of creativity in education." We intend to submit proposals to Washington.

Our vocational school continues to grow in enrollment and in the breadth of its curriculum. For example, this year the boys in the carpentry shop will acquire experience in the various skills entailed in constructing a building. Soon this department will embark on a regular house building project.

The entire Region was justly proud of the performance of our Matching Wits Television Panelists, who won the area championship last spring by defeating five other high schools. At the time of this writing, this year's Tantasqua Team has already won four matches. For their quick intelligence, grace and poise, we all congratulate them (and, of course, hope for another championship.)

With the passage of legislation in Boston, collective bargaining has now become the right of Teachers' Associations. It is particularly gratifying to report that successful bargaining has been accomplished by both the Tantasqua Region and the five towns comprising Union #61. Both school committee members and teachers can be proud of settling negotiations so speedily and amicably.

One of the ineluctable problems of a growing school district - and we are growing - is housing. Currently we are using every classroom in the five elementary schools as well as operating at a very high efficiency in the high school. Next September it appears as though we will need to seek one additional classroom outside the Brimfield Elementary School; Brookfield will maintain ten teaching stations only by having split grades - a practice which is certainly not untenable; Sturbridge has virtually no additional space (though we do intend to have two kindergarten classes in one all-purpose room); and Holland and Wales are using every available classroom. It is clear that additional facilities will be needed in the near future to house the growing number of boys and girls. Already we are studying enrollment trends and intend to present recommendations to the Region in the near future.

Several large maintenance projects have been undertaken this past year in order to preserve our investment in property and real estate: a section of roofing was replaced on the Holland School; Burgess needed a new boiler; Brookfield has undertaken a heat control problem in three classrooms; and at Tantasqua, the front driveway has been re-surfaced and repair and replacement of window walls by the newly employed carpenter has begun.

As one looks over the foregoing, it is evident that it is a rather desultory compilation of a few facts about our schools. If it is uninspiring to read, it is less inspiring to write. Some consolation may be garnered from the fact that this is the nature of report making.

Nevertheless, I should like to conclude with a word about the most elusive but most important thing we do - the *raison d'etre* of our schools - Teaching. How does one measure it? Achievement test results? Percent of enrollment going on to college? Job placement? Report cards?

At best, all of these things tell only a partial story. The ability to think, the willingness to change one's position

in light of new facts, the capacity to make wise choices and the development of the potential to solve human problems in a complex world are the qualities with which our schools must be concerned. Again, we reaffirm our dedication to these ends.

To all citizens of this Region, we thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT A WATSON
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Robert A. Watson
Superintendent of Schools
Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Watson:

224 pupils were present for opening day of school in September. The number of children in each grade is as follows:

Grade I	36
Grade II	28
Grade III	43
Grade IV	37
Grade V	42
Grade VI	37
	<u>223</u>

At present there are eight regular classroom teachers at the elementary school. Other personnel serving the children in various areas of learning are remedial reading teacher, special reading teacher (Title I), art supervisor, music supervisor, school adjustment counselor, band director and principal who also teaches part of Grade 6.

Space at the school is at a premium and evidence of crowded conditions in many areas is quite obvious. The principal has a classroom in the cafeteria which also serves as a library, auditorium, and educational television room. The

special reading teacher conducts his classes in the cafeteria manager's storeroom while the bandmaster utilizes the custodian's storeroom for his rehearsals. Our school adjustment counselor has interviews with teachers and parents in the supply room.

The classrooms were built to serve a limited number of pupils and a result of the large number in each room, space for reading tables, display tables and a library corner is quite limited.

September, 1967 will see three grades with over forty pupils in each grade. An extra classroom and teacher are needed. This means that we would need at least nine classrooms; at present we have eight.

Our annual achievement tests (S.R.A.) were administered in the spring of the year. These tests help teachers keep a check on specific areas of learning of a child and at the same time help to indicate strengths and weaknesses of any one subject area.

We have added a central library and research material room in the school to make reading accessible to all pupils. The existence of the library helps to encourage selective reading among children and fosters a desire to read good literature not only for information and facts but for pure pleasure and enjoyment of reading also. Mrs. Streeter has helped us considerably with her suggestions in establishing a good library, and (also) with book loans from the town library.

A great deal of study is taking place to form a good social studies curriculum in Union #61. The representatives from this school, working on the committee are doing a notable job and it is gratifying to see such progress and enthusiasm among these people. Strides have also been taken in developing the curriculum in English in the five towns and the outlook is certainly bright.

We have introduced Educational Television this year and have the services of W. G. B. H. Channel 2, Boston. The 21" Classroom affords the children the opportunity of viewing such fine programs such as An Introduction to the Arts for Grade IV - VI; Literature, Grade I, II, and III; Science Grades I-VI; Field Trip Specials, such as Old Ironsides, Mystic Seaport, Fort Ticonderoga, Pioneer Blacksmith, Plymouth Plantation Grades IV-VI; and United States Geography Grades V-VI.

I wish to thank you Mr. Watson, the school committee and the teachers for your assistance and cooperation during the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. BUSH

Principal

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Art is for everyone. I believe that every child has an ability and a need to use his hands and materials to create and communicate. This combination of mind and matter may be the product of self-expression or interpretation of a suggested idea.

Showing the child's work is a sign of approval and encouragement. On completing a project and seeing it displayed, a child achieves a sense of accomplishment, self realization and appreciation; appreciation of himself, of his classmates, and of the skill of masters in the field.

New doors to expression are opened by exposing the student to various materials and techniques. Experimenting with, and exploring the possibilities of a process is more important than the aesthetic appeal of the end result. Rules and specifications are valuable in some lessons, but they should never inhibit the child. The above statements are my ideas of how art should be taught and how it is taught at Brimfield Elementary School.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY ELLEN DOWNEY

Art Teacher

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Music education is the study of the relationship of music to each person's mind and senses. It is a realization of the place and value of musical art in human life. Music has always been recognized as among the highest and most enduring attainments of man. Education should help preserve this heritage by teaching young people to understand and value such achievements so that their own standards will be high.

Creativity, originality, independence, nonconformity - these characteristics are nourished by enjoyment of the arts. The introduction of a truly basic, structured music program to the elementary curriculum is serving to depict or describe by example the character, quality, and worth of the whole musical art. Music is being experienced on its own terms, in the light of its own time, its indigenous culture, its own standards, but as our 20th century eyes perceive these values.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE C. REIL

Supervisor of Music
Brimfield - Brookfield,
Wales

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Robert Watson
Superintendent of Schools
Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Watson:

Certain portions of the School Health program are required by Massachusetts State Law. Smallpox vaccination before entering school; yearly examination of eyes, ears, heights and weights are required as well as physical examinations on all children entering school and in the fourth, seventh and eleventh grades.

Parents may take children to their family doctors for any of these examinations as long as a report signed by the doctor

is returned to the nurse by the end of the school year.

In all of these examinations, if done in school, there are recommended areas for referral to parents. If a child falls within a referral area, notices are sent to parents whose responsibility it then becomes to see to it that their child is seen by a doctor of their own choice and his report returned to school.

Other portions of the School Health program are not mandatory, but participation in them is highly recommended. These include immunizations, Tuberculosis testing and Diabetic testing. Also, a dental survey, sponsored by the state is done every two years by a Registered Dental Hygeinist. Parents are urged to have a family dental program, and cards are sent home every year to encourage this.

I would like to thank Mr. Bush, the teachers and the school committee for their help and cooperation throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOU ANTONOVITCH, R. N.

Brimfield School Nurse

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Mr. Robert A. Watson
Superintendent of Schools
Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Watson:

The School Lunch Program has already increased over last year which is encouraging. We were pleased with the visitors we had for School Lunch Week this year. We hope to see more next year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALMA HOWLETT

School Lunch Supervisor

SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Mr. Robert Watson
Superintendent of Schools
Union 61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Watson:

The regular maintenance program was carried out this summer as usual. The teachers' rest room was enlarged and completely remodeled. The cafeteria, kitchen, and rest rooms were painted. Work on the school grounds included cutting brush, and trimming trees. The play-ground was graded in the low spots and other small repairs were made in the building.

I wish to thank you, the school committee, the Principal and the teachers for their cooperation in my work as custodian.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. SHEERAN

Custodian

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF			Yrs. Serv.	Total Yrs.
<u>Administration</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Training</u>	<u>Brimfield</u>	<u>Service</u>
Superintendent	Robert A. Watson	B. S. Salem St. College M. A. Tufts University	1	11
Business Manager	Timothy J. Denning	B. B. A Western New England College	1	1
Elementary School Principal & Grade 6	Arthur Bush	B. C. Boston College Ed. M. Bridgewater St. Coll.	3	8
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	College of Our Lady of the Elms	8	11
Grade 2	Mary Moore	Westfield State College	4	4
Grade 3	Florence Gendreau	Gorham St. Normal School	13	17
Grade 3	Mary McDonald	Westfield State College	4	19
Grade 4	Jeanne Page	Bridgewater State Teachers Coll.	1	11
Grade 5	Margaret Grant	University of Mass.	0	0
Grade 5	Joyce Lancaster	Georgia State College	0	0
Grade 6	Domenic Gigante	B. A. American International Coll.	1	1
Art	Mary Downey	Mercyhurst College	0	3
Music	Pauline C. Reil	B. M. , Anna Maria College	2	2
Reading	Susan Smith	B. A. , Univ. of Connecticut	3	3
Adjustment, Counsellor	Ernestine McEachern	Miss. State College for Women University of Southern Miss.	0	8 1/2
Janitor	Edward Sheeran			

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1966

General Appropriation	\$121,527.91
Refund	5.06
Refund	79.27
Refund	250.00
NDEA transfer	459.00
	<u>122,321.24</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Administration	
School Committee	\$ 584.32
Superintendent's Office	4,063.41
Instruction	
Principal's Office	7,717.06
Teachers' Salaries	50,384.11
Supplies & Materials	1,187.31
Personnel Training	100.40
Special Education - Tuition	1,046.64
Textbooks	826.99
Library Service	30.98
Audio-Visual	270.00
Guidance	163.84
Psychological Services	280.00
Other School Services	
Adjustment Counsellor	559.26
Attendance Officer	125.00
Health Services - Salaries	1,015.00
Health Services - Supplies	38.87
Field Trips	99.50
Transportation	31,740.00
Student Body Activities	60.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant & Equipment	
Custodians Salaries	6,124.79
Supplies & Materials	966.97
Custodian - Admin. Off.	48.29
Fuel	1,375.20
Utilities	
School	1,306.99
Admin. Office	107.72
Maintenance of Grounds	600.00
Maintenance of Equipment	
School	12.65
Admin. Office	13.86

Maintenance of Building	\$ 2,807.79	
Fixed Charges		
Insurance & Rent -		
Admin. Office	227.13	
Community Services		
Physically Handicapped -		
Tuition & Transp.	940.20	
Acquisition of Fixed Assets		
Equipment		
NDEA - Title III	460.76	
Capital Outlay - Elem.	2,676.47	
Capital Outlay - Admin.Off.	48.61	
Library	510.92	
Program with other Districts		
& Private Schools		
Vocational	<u>3,720.93</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$122,241.97</u>
Balance Unexpended		79.27

REIMBURSEMENT FROM STATE

General School Fund	\$19,346.32	
Transportation	28,940.00	
State Wards	3,989.60	
Special Education	511.00	
Vocational Education	<u>397.34</u>	
Total Reimbursement	\$53,184.26	
Total Expenditures, 1966		\$122,241.97
Total Reimbursement		<u>53,184.26</u>
Cost to Brimfield		\$ 69,057.71

SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1967

Administration	\$ 4,933.33
Instruction	77,277.00
Other School Services	37,675.00
Operation of Plant	12,943.98
Fixed Charges	235.11
Community Services	800.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	2,951.66
Program with other Districts & Private Schools	4,500.00
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	\$141,316.08

BRIMFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

School year 1966, including the summer recess, saw implementation of the projects outlined in the budget for 1966. Several unanticipated problems as well as nearly all regular projects were resolved or otherwise completed within the budget voted by the Town last March, including NDEA funds.

Highlights of the year's business are as follows:

1. A significant and unexpected increase in enrollment required one additional teacher be hired shortly after school opened in September. Enrollment is in fact higher than projected by your committee in 1963.
2. Malfunction of sewerage equipment caused a major expenditure for septic tank and leach field work. This was an unanticipated outlay.
3. The newly installed cafeteria hot water system is operating very well as predicted by our custodian. This project nullified expense of some \$1400 for a new dish washing machine previously thought to be necessary.
4. Mr. Sheeran constructed the requested teachers' wash-room facilities prior to school opening. As per last year's annual meeting, the School Building Account was used for this purpose and the remaining balance is again posted to its original account.
5. The much needed cornice and coping work was completed during the summer as was painting of all outside woodwork.
6. All teachers in Brimfield elected to join the Union 61 Teachers Association. This group is henceforth a bargaining unit for purposes defined under the Acts of 1965 of the General Court. Brimfield School Committee signed a contract prior to close of school last June, as did each of the four other Towns of the Union. As part of the original agreement the association chose not to negotiate for further wage increases this year. We commend the teachers group for its professional outlook and its integrity.

We note here the loss of Mr. Frank Dickinson who was a most loyal and conscientious employee. We officially extend our sympathy to his family.

We extend also our sincere appreciation to all members of our staff for their effort in keeping Brimfield's school at a high level of performance and excellence. Our youngsters do very well when measured against children from other towns and districts. Our programs are designed to maintain that record. We have taken advantage of every practical and suitable extra project that is available to us. By these means each child in our school is given more intensive training in a well rounded format. As a note of interest 21 Brimfield youngsters are currently members of Tantasqua's senior high Band.

Our sincere appreciation also goes to Superintendent Watson for his diligence in matters academic and for his counsel and guidance in matters of operation, recruiting, and liaison with the State Department of Education.

Finally, and most important, we thank all members of the Town for their support and understanding. Particular thanks goes to the several ladies who have performed tedious duties at the school every day it has been open since September... without compensation. This kind of responsive attitude is one that seems to typify Brimfield best, and it is refreshing to your school committee especially when we know that there are always going to be problems of one kind or other in dealing with people of diversified interests. At best, we can satisfy only part of the electorate in every way, but with sincerity and objectivity, we continue our promise that the job will be done in the best interest of our most important product...our children.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT,
Chairman

OLIVE D. WESTON
RAYMOND ROBERTS,
Secretary

SECOND INTERIM REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

As of December 31, 1966, this committee had completed its work to the extent that no further expenditures were anticipated against the Building Committee Account.

Preliminary plans obtained early in 1966 received tentative approval from the School Building Assistance Commission. Some changes were advised pending implementation of Willis Report by the General Court. Since then we have altered the plans to include Kindergarten spaces.

In view of extraordinary increases in school population throughout our Region-Union system, this committee respectfully withholds its final report until Supt. Watson completes a total system survey of school needs. We know Brimfield's need to be urgent, but we also believe that we serve best if we make a final report only when it leaves no question unanswered and no choice uninvestigated.

We therefore submit that as a survey of the whole system is now in progress we cannot justify any firm recommendation to the Town at this time. Accordingly, we wish to assure the Town that immediately a proper report with appropriate recommendation is possible, we will lose no further time in concluding our mission.

Respectfully:

RICHARD C. ALLEN
ARNOLD R. BEATON
WILLIAM B. COX
WILLIAM F. WHITTEN
JOHNSTONE PRESCOTT, Ch.

1 January 1967

REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Brimfield Public Library has shown a most satisfactory growth with respect to use of materials and to physical expansion and improvement. During the year 9,536 books and periodicals were loaned, of which 5,236 were adult, 4,031 juvenile titles, and 269 books loaned to the Elementary School. This is an overall increase of 20% over 1965. Persons using the Library numbered 4,799, of whom 2,128 were adults and young adults, and 2,671 boys and girls, representing a 15% increase. Statistics are by no means a full measure of the service given by a Library to its community, but they do indicate one major service, - that of getting people and books together.

One event of prime importance was the completion, dedication and use of the Sherman Memorial Room. As reported last year, this addition to the Library was presented to the town by Miss Margaret E. Sherman of Northboro in memory of her father, George Sherman, and other members of his family - all descendants of Captain John Sherman, one of Brimfield's pioneer settlers.

The room was completed in time for a dedication ceremony on July 30th, when the building was formally presented by Miss Sherman and accepted on behalf of the town by Richard C. Allen, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. The program also included appropriate remarks by Robert E. Bruce, representing the Library Trustees, and by Lester W. Parker, as President of the Brimfield Historical Society. Marcus A. McCorison, Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society gave the principal address on the subject "A Local Historical Society in the American Scene". A reception and open house followed the program, with the library staff, the trustees, and the Brimfield Historical Society serving as hosts.

Several contributions toward furnishing and equipping the Sherman Room have been made since the dedication. The Women's Business Club gave a set of Multiple Display panels which are already in use for showing selections from the Brown-Corbin picture collection; and tables and

chairs have been supplied jointly by the Historical Society and the Smith-Chamberlain Historical Fund. Many decorative and historical objects have been given or loaned, especially a group of choice pieces of American pressed glass from the Librarian's personal collection. Further equipment of the Sherman Room will be made as funds become available.

Another major improvement was the new "cove" lighting in the combined Reading Room and Little Children's Room, lighting badly needed for many years. It has not only added much to the attractiveness of the room, but, far more important, has provided adequate light for adults and children using the room. A minor improvement, but one most helpful to the public, is the slot in the front door into which borrowers may drop their books if they come to the Library when it is closed.

The Central Massachusetts Regional Library System at Worcester is becoming more and more an integral part of the Brimfield Library - or visa versa. Regular interlibrary loan service has provided 139 books in answer to personal requests of borrowers. This year the Bookmobile, visiting the Library once each month, brought 237 books selected by the Librarian. As of the past month (December 1966) all books chosen from the Bookmobile become a part of the library collection, and may be kept indefinitely. This new "loan" policy is a most forward and financially helpful step in the relationship between the Central Regional Service and the Brimfield Library. The Bookmobile also brings "ready-made" exhibits, ready to be placed on display shelves. During 1966, 18 films have been borrowed from Central Regional for various organizations, some of the users being the Senior Citizens, Hiking Club, and Vacation Church School. This film service is free to all groups and individuals of the town. Borrowers are asked to make their bookings well ahead of time, and to return the films promptly to the Library. Lists of available films are on file in the Library.

Work with the Elementary School continues to be a very important part of the Library's service to the community. Books borrowed by the school from the Library Extension Service in Boston were brought twice yearly to the Library, where, supplemented by titles from the Library shelves, classroom collections were made and returned to the school. There were 35 class visits to the Library during the year, with 752 pupils participating. This included all elementary classes and the kindergarten from Hitchcock Recreation Center. Story hours were held for the younger groups, while older pupils

were given instruction in the use of the Library and its resources. All groups have been given opportunity for browsing.

National Library Book Week was celebrated at length during April and May. This was a cooperative project between school and library, supervised by the Art Teacher, with the Library giving a book to the pupil in each grade who made the most appropriate book poster. Prizes and posters were on display in the Woodbine windows and the Library.

At Christmas time the elementary pupils provided decorations for the Library, and Miss Diana Prescott arranged them. The Library is grateful for the work and thought involved in the various projects, and would extend thanks to Mr. Arthur Bush and the teachers for their year-round help and cooperation. It may be interesting to note that all work with and for the Elementary Schools is done outside regular library hours of opening.

Many new paperbacks have been purchased for the use of Tantasqua students in their foreign literature courses, and a large number of periodicals are available to them for use in preparing term and other papers. This is in addition to serving them as a local supplement to their excellent school library at Tantasqua.

As usual, the Library has been the recipient of many gifts during the year. More of the large-type books have been given as memorials. One library borrower dropped a ten dollar bill on the desk, asking that something be bought for the Library. Her reason? She said she enjoyed using the Library so much that she wanted to do something for it. Her gift made possible the purchase of Dr. Roy's "Quabog Plantation, Alias Brookefield" for the town history collection in the Sherman Room. For that room, too, many photographed and enlarged maps, 1855-1894, of the area have been given. They are used almost daily by people interested in Brimfield history, and they save much wear and tear on our own atlases which are now almost irreplaceable. Several diaries, journals of business establishments, old deeds have been presented, also. It is hoped that other residents of Brimfield who have similar materials and documents in their homes will give them to, or deposit them in the Sherman Room, where they will be cared for and made available to persons interested in early Brimfield.

The Garden Club gave its annual gift - a large and beautiful

Christmas wreath which brought a festive appearance to the Library entrance. The Library appreciates all these and the many other gifts, as well as the gifts of volunteer help given by elementary children, for they all show that people in the community are aware of the Library - its needs, and the services it offers.

The Librarian wishes to thank the Trustees for the cooperation, consideration, and forbearance which they have shown her. The many hours the Trustees devote to the Library, their work in establishing its policies - all this is seldom recognized, nor do many people realize the responsibilities they carry.

The Library is open Wednesday 2:00 - 5:30 PM
and 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Thursday 1:30 - 5:30 PM

Saturday 2:00 - 5:30 PM
and 7:00 - 9:00 PM

The Library telephone is 245-3518. Make use of it to make known your requests for library material, to ask for information, or to have your books renewed.

This is your Town Library. We urge you to make use of it.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ROBERT STREETER
Librarian



INTERIOR OF SHERMAN MEMORIAL ROOM

REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth - Chapter 128 - The Trustees For County Aid To Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

The Trustees are further empowered to maintain agents to conduct meetings or demonstrations, make individual farm and home visits and in all ways help to improve home and community interests in every way possible.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits group discussions, demonstrations or otherwise in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living and better community service and have been ably assisted by hundreds of local volunteer leaders to this end.

A total expense of \$14.64 was incurred during the year for either travel or purchase of material needed in carrying on the various projects by the local leaders. The appropriation made by your town was used by the agents of the Trustees for only residents of your town.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1966 Appropriation	\$ 50.00
1965 Unexpended balance	61.22
Total available for 1966	111.22
Total expenditure in 1966	14.64
Total available for 1967	96.58

Recommended appropriation for 1967 ----\$50.00

Respectfully submitted,
Trustees For County Aid
To Agriculture

ALBERT H. FULLER
Clerk

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Relative to continuing dry summer weather, general maintenance work in the cemetery was below normal, resulting in a total expenditure of approximately \$1280 which included \$445 paid for grave openings and foundation installations and repairs, all of which was returned to the Town.

The Margaret E. Dunsmore Memorial wall was completed and the entire cost was within the total of funds provided jointly by the Women's Business Club and a Town appropriation. The balance remaining being \$524.00.

The projection of expense for the coming year includes items for re-surfacing of the drives and engineering work necessary to establish certain individual lot and boundary locations. Our estimate of these combined items is \$350. Grave openings and foundation installations and related work which must be paid out of Cemetery funds but which will be returned to the Town is estimated to continue at approximately \$500.00. The equipment appears to be in adequate condition for normal operations through the coming year, and we are therefore reducing our request for appropriated funds from \$1500 of a year ago to \$1200 for 1967.

Regarding the balance remaining from the joint fund used to construct the addition to the wall, we are requesting, through an article in the warrant, that \$500 of this balance be transferred by appropriate action by the Town to the "Cemetery Wall Fund" presently on deposit with the Monson Savings Bank, and that the amount so transferred be added to the original principal of the Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

CHENEY F. NEWTON,

Chairman

JAMES A. ADAMS

EVERETT D. LANDEN

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Town Memorial Day Committee appreciates the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliary for participating in the Memorial Day Parade.

We wish to thank the speaker Mr. Henry Holley and the Elementary School for the program. The music was furnished by Capt. Buxton Continental Fifes and Drums and the bugler service by Cesare Salvatore.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN McNAMARA

MARGARET GILMAN

JAMES HATCH

ALBERT GENDREAU

PERCY MOORE

FLORENCE GENDREAU

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

In May of 1966, 365 acres of badly infested woodland was sprayed for the control of Gypsy Moths. This completes the aerial spraying which was started in 1965.

The work of creosoting moth clusters was completed in the fall, and again there was a marked decrease in the number of moth clusters found. The number of moth clusters found has been reduced by approximately 80% during the past two years.

Fall inspection and creosoting should keep this pest under control.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN

Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

As is customary, the Finance Committee met early in the year and organized with

Merrill Spear, Chairman
Eugene Roberts, Vice-Chairman
William D. Spooner, Secretary

The various departments and committees are to be congratulated on staying within the budgets as voted at the Annual Town Meeting. A few items came up during the year which were unexpected, requiring the transfer of funds from the Reserve Account, namely

\$280.00 to remove trees (which had died) from the Common.

\$500.00 for unanticipated Land Damages at the new construction on the Monson Road.

\$ 80.00 to the Assessors for unexpected expenses.

\$885.00 to erect a tower at the new Fire Station and transfer the fire siren to that location.

The discussion at the last Annual Town Meeting aroused this committee to make a study concerning the pay schedules of Highway Departments in towns of this size throughout the State. We find that we are paying our Highway Surveyor 15% more than the average of towns of our size, there being only 5 towns out of 71 that pay more than we do. We find that we pay the exact rate as the City of Holyoke, which has a population of 52,689, and 55¢ per hour more than our neighboring town of Warren. Also, we pay the truck drivers and laborers well above the average. While checking the above, we noticed that the average pay for Town Accountants is \$757.82, against our \$1,200.00.

In going over the warrant, we questioned the article for unpaid bills of 1966, which include a small item of \$189.66 in the School Lunch Program, made necessary by the fact that the town was not reimbursed by the Government for this item until after the books were closed; an item of \$1,528.65 for interest which could not be paid in 1966 because the request came in after the legal time for submission; and the

balance due on the Town Barn, \$24,915.50, which becomes a past-due account due to the fact that the vote last year specified that the balance in excess of the Stabilization Fund be paid by notes, which was not done, but was paid from the General Treasury, which procedure the State will not permit.

As these amounts must be raised by taxation in 1967, we foresee a very substantial increase in our tax rate, for which there is no remedy.

In order to keep our taxes from going up any more than is absolutely necessary, in 1967, your committee has decided to recommend that no further increase in the Street lighting be made this year.

In considering the Fire Department budget, the best information that we could obtain indicated that the 1943 GMC has not been used more than three or four times in the five years that we have owned it. A year ago money was appropriated to install a tank on it, which, up to this time, has not been done; therefore it would appear that the continuance of this piece of apparatus is a useless expense and we therefore recommend that it be sold.

We find that the Town is in nearly as bad shape this year, as to the amount of free cash, as it was last year, and therefore recommend the appropriation of \$7,500.00 for the Reserve Fund, to use in case of emergency.

Again, we would thank the town officials and committee members for breaking down their budget requests so that it was not necessary to call in very many to explain their needs, before an intelligent recommendation could be made.

We would also warn the voters that it becomes absolutely necessary to face a 1967 tax levy which will be the highest in the history of the Town, and the voting of items at the Annual Town Meeting, which have not been recommended, will simply serve to make your tax bills that much higher.

Respectfully submitted,
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE

Merrill Spear, Chairman
Eugene Roberts, Vice-Chairman
William D. Spooner, Secretary
David L. Cheney

Noah D. Fountain
Willis S. Gerrish
Arthur D. Kenyon
Leo E. Lavigne
William Whitten

BUDGET FOR 1967

	<u>Appro. 1966</u>	<u>Expend. 1966</u>	<u>Requested 1967</u>	<u>Fin. Com. Rec. 1967</u>
Moderator -----	\$ 70.00	\$ 67.50	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00
Selectmen -----	2,700.00	2,626.51	2,700.00	2,700.00
Town Accountant -----	1,350.00	1,291.25	1,350.00	1,350.00
Treasurer -----	1,135.00	1,050.94	1,135.00	1,135.00
Tax Collector -----	1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.50
Assessors -----	1,652.00)			
Res. Fd. -----	80.00)	1,714.44	1,794.00	1,694.00
Town Clerk -----	600.00	580.68	600.00	600.00
Finance Committee -----	75.00	46.00	75.00	75.00
Town Counsel -----	100.00	100.00	200.00	200.00
Planning Board -----	50.00	--	300.00	300.00
Election & Registration -----	875.00	847.23	525.00	525.00
Town Hall -----	3,100.00	2,729.66	3,100.00	3,100.00
Police -----	500.00	500.00	600.00	600.00
Fire Department -----	5,285.37)			
Res. Fd. -----	885.00)	6,103.55	5,030.50	4,160.50
Tree Warden -----	500.00	498.00	500.00	500.00
Moth Suppression -----	800.00	726.73	220.00	220.00
Civil Defense -----	250.00	103.16	--	--
General Health & Care of Dump ---	3,200.00	2,091.25	2,200.00	2,200.00
General Highways -----	15,000.00	14,997.45	15,000.00	15,000.00
Chapter 81 -----	2,560.00)	20,159.45	2,560.00	2,560.00
State & Cty. -----	17,600.00)			
Chapter 90 Maintenance -----	2,500.00)			
State & Cty. -----	7,500.00)	7,499.83	2,500.00	2,500.00

Chapter 90 Construction ----	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00
Street Lighting -----		2,299.00		2,000.33		2,273.00
Public Assistance -----		27,500.00				
Rec. -----		611.38				
				32,782.04		30,500.00
S.E.Hampden Welfare District--		5,000.00				958.00
Veterans Benefits -----		3,000.00		663.65		1,000.00
Veterans Ser.Dist.-----		595.00		595.00		--
School)						
Trade Sch. T&T)-----		121,527.91		122,263.89		141,316.08
NDEA -----		815.25				
Tantasqua R.H.S. -----		141,495.52		141,495.52		173,324.39
Library -----		2,745.83				
Dog Fund -----		583.41				
State -----		1,000.00		4,635.03		3,470.00
Div. -----		306.88				
Common -----		400.00				
Res.Fd.-----		280.00				
Property Ins.-----		1,800.00		578.15		400.00
Workmen's Comp.-----		1,273.00		1,763.20		1,800.00
Town Reports -----		770.00		1,027.30		1,000.00
Memorial Day-----		280.00		770.00		925.00
Aid to Agriculture -----		50.00		273.42		280.00
County Retirement -----		1,343.00		50.00		--
Annuities -----		150.00		1,343.00		1,715.00
Cemeteries -----		1,500.00		150.00		150.00
Interest -----		2,000.00		1,362.38		1,200.00
O.D. -----		1,528.65				
Certifying notes-----		20.00		3,528.65		2,000.00
Reserve Fd. -----		9,900.00		15.00		20.00
Swimming Program -----		175.00		1,745.00		7,500.00
				175.00		175.00

TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday, the SIXTH day of March, 1967, at twelve (12) o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following Town Officers: A Moderator for one year; three Selectmen for one year each; a Town Clerk for three years; a Treasurer for three years; a Tax Collector for three years; one Assessor for three years; a Highway Surveyor for one year; one member of the Elementary School Committee for three years; one member of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for two years; one member of the Tantasqua Regional District School Committee for three years; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of the Board of Public Health for three years; one member of the Cemetery Commission for three years; two Library Trustees for three years each; one Tree Warden for one year; one Harriet Harding Fund Trustee for three years; one member of the Planning Board for one year; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Lincoln Library Fund Trustees for three years.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8:00 P.M.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, to-

gether with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1967 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17 of the General Laws.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for highways, including bridges.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$2500) for the maintenance of the Warren, Old Palmer, Brookfield and Holland Roads under Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by the State and County for the purpose.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$5000.00) for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the coming year.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2507.50 of Chapter 679 Funds, Acts of 1965, for reconstruction of the Dunhamtown-Palmer Road, for a distance of 600 feet.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1154.62 of Chapter 679 Funds, Acts of 1965, for reconstruction of the Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road, for a distance of 300 feet.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to abandon 800 feet on St. Clair Road which has been replaced by new construction.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept 800 feet of new construction on St. Clair Road.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay land damages on the Hollow Road.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money () to purchase a new truck and body for the use of the Highway Department, or take any action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, to sell by sealed bid or public auction, the 1960 Chevrolet Truck and other obsolete equipment or take any other action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$450.00 from the Machinery Account to purchase a new rear sander spinner for the rear of the Town Highway sander or take any other action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to pay all full time highway employees for all legal holidays, and one week paid vacation after one year of service, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 from the Wales Road to Reid's Auction Acres by removing 2 2500-lumen lamps and 5 1000-lumen lamps and installing 5 7000-lumen MV lamps and 2 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to improve existing street lighting on Church Street and Brookfield Rd. at route 20 intersection by removing the existing 1000-lumen lamp and installing 1 7000-lumen MV lamp in front of the Hitchcock Academy Parking Lot, and the removal of the 1000-lumen lamp on Pole #1 on the Brookfield Rd., and the installation of a 7000-lumen MV lamp in its place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to improve existing street lighting on Route 20 between St. Christopher's Church and the Wales Road by removing 1 1000-lumen and 4 2500-lumen old incandescent street lights, and installing 2 7000-lumen MV lamps and 3 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 between the Holland Road and St. Christopher's Church by removing 5 1000-lumen old incandescent street lights, and installing 2 7000-lumen MV lamps and 3 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to install five street lights on Haynes Hill Road, on poles number 15, 18, 20, 38 and 42, or take any other action thereon.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to join with the Town of Holland and the Town of Wales in a recreation program or take any other action thereon.

Article 28. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three for the recreation program to be known as the Recreation Program Committee or take any other action thereon.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175.00 to be used for the water safety program, to be administered by the Recreation Program Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$100.00) to be used with the \$117.04 given to the Town by Brimfield Grange #65 in 1954 for a War Memorial, to install a flag pole and plaque in front of the Town Hall for this purpose, or take any other action thereon.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425.00 for painting the side walls and woodwork of the main auditorium of the Town Hall.

Article 32. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint Mary Eleanor Streeter to the position of Director of Library Services under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for a term of three (3) years as long as said Director continues to serve in such position, or take any other action thereon.

Article 33. To see if the Town will appropriate for the use of the Library, the \$500.00 State Aid for the year 1967 to be paid to the Town by the State for that purpose.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$130.00 received as book fines in 1966 for the use of the Library.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the balance remaining from the construction of the Margaret Dunsmore Memorial Wall to the Cemetery Wall Fund presently on deposit with the Monson Savings Bank, and that the amount so transferred be added to the original principal of said fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law:

"Not more than one house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping and eating accommodations may be kept on any parcel of land. No house trailer, mobile home or trailer which contains sleeping and eating accommodations may be used as living quarters while so located. Space shall not be leased for trailers. Provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prohibit the establishment of a trailer camp under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the General Laws."

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay 1966 bills outstanding after January 10, 1967.

Article 38. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying of expenses of the ensuing

year, and direct how the same shall be expended.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 30th day of January, 1967.

RICHARD C. ALLEN

FRANK B. HALEY

NORRIS U. DEMETRIUS

Selectmen of Brimfield

A true copy, ATTEST

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

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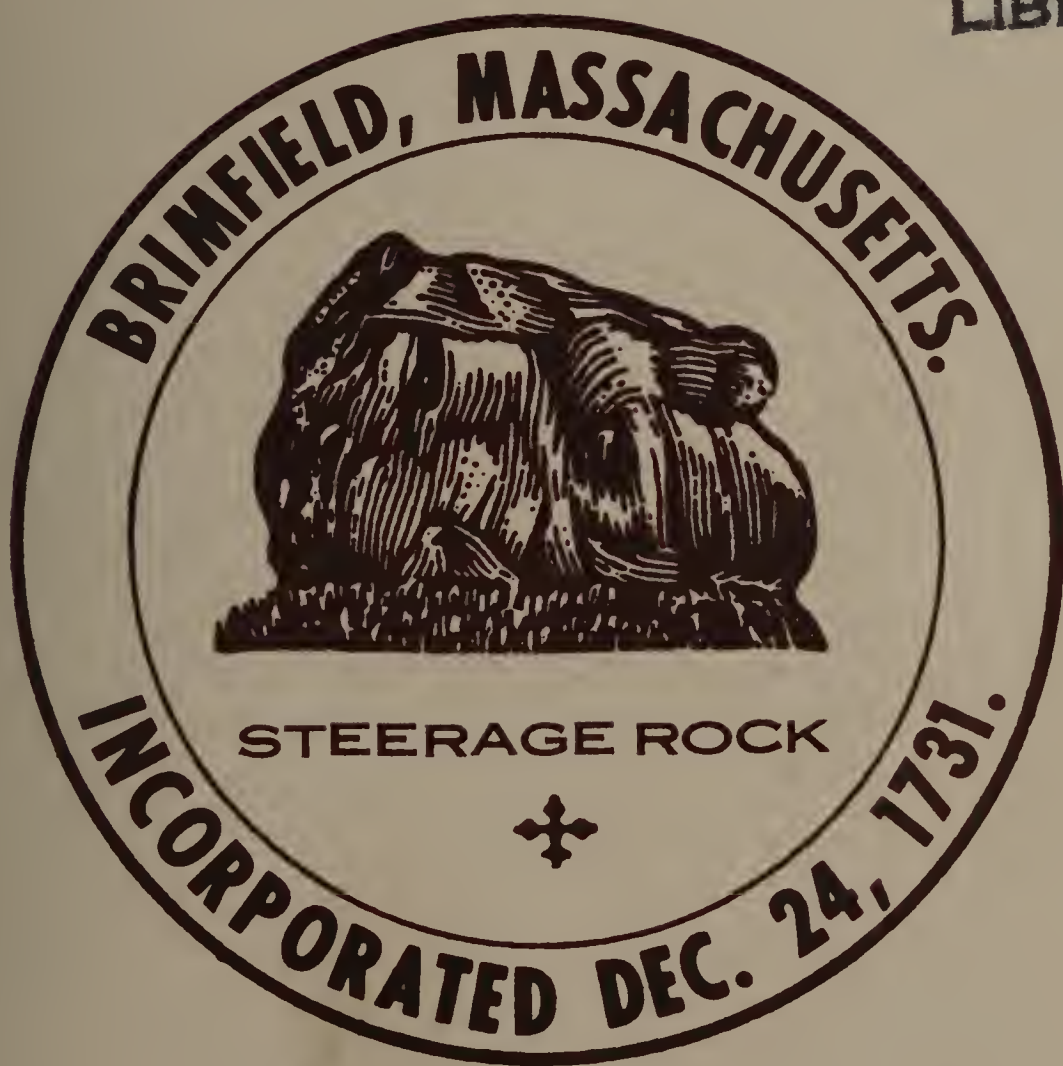
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ANNUAL REPORT

to the

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD

BRIMFIELD
PUBLIC
LIBRARY



Including Receipts and Expenditures
for the
Year Ending December 31, 1967

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ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF

BRIMFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

1967

FOREWORD

This Annual Report for 1967 presents to all the Citizens of Brimfield a summary of events and activities of the Town Government, in brief, readable form.

It is always the privilege of each resident or businessman to contact individual departments for further details, or additional information.

GOVERNMENTAL INFORMATION

Brimfield is included in the

Second Congressional District
Seventh Councillor District
Hampden—Worcester Senatorial District
First Hampden Representative District

U. S. Senators are

Edward T. Kennedy, Boston
Edward W. Brooke, Newton

Congressman, 2nd District is

Edward P. Boland, Springfield

State Senator is

Philip A. Quinn, Spencer

Representative to General Court is

Alexander Lolas, Monson

County Commissioners are

William F. Stapleton, Holyoke
Ralph P. Walsh, Longmeadow
Lloyd W. Fradet, Springfield

Democratic Town Committee

Edward Killian, Chairman
Edward Sheeran, Treasurer
Margaret Gilman, Secretary

Republican Town Committee

George B. Adams, Chairman
Shirley (Nichols) Thompson Secretary—Treasurer

Population	1,644
Voters	800
Republican	203
Democrats	133
Independents	464

TOWN OFFICERS – 1967

Town Clerk

Juliane L. Spooner	Term expires 1970
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Moderator

Timothy J. Denning	Term expires 1968
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Treasurer

Clarence H. Keith	Term expires 1970
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Tax Collector

Ruby E. Smith	Term expires 1970
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Selectmen

Richard C. Allen	Term expires 1968
Frank B. Haley	Term expires 1968
Norris U. Demetrius	Term expires 1968

Assessors

Andrew W. Gondek	Term expires 1970
Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1969
John M. Haley	Term expires 1968

Highway Surveyor

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1968
(By-Laws amended to discontinue this elective office – 11/6/67)	

School Committee

William Whitten	Term expires 1970
Johnstone Prescott (Resigned)	Term expires 1969
Pia Sherman	Appointed to 3/4/68
Raymond Roberts	Term expires 1968

Tantasqua Regional District School Committee

Catherine R. Morris	Term expires 1970
(Dropped 11/1/67 because of decrease in enrollment)	
Arnold R. Beaton	Term expires 1969

Board of Public Welfare

Timothy J. Denning	Term expires 1970
Homer L. Parker	Term expires 1969
Alfred Wigglesworth	Term expires 1968

Board of Public Health

Roger Osterheld	Term expires 1970
Violet G. Loux	Term expires 1969
Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1968

Cemetery Commission

Cheney F. Newton	Term expires 1970
Everett D. Landen	Term expires 1969
James A. Adams	Term expires 1968

Library Trustees

Violet G. Loux (resigned)	Term expires 1970
Olive D. Weston	Appointed to 3/4/68
Roger W. Bennett	Term expires 1970
Robert E. Bruce (deceased)	Term expires 1969
John O. Curtis	Appointed to 3/4/68
Bertha Osterheld	Term expires 1969
Lester W. Parker	Term expires 1968
Ethel E. Spooner	Term expires 1968

Tree Warden

James A. Adams	Term expires 1968
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Constables

Robert J. Cutler	Term expires 1968
Arthur J. Moreau	Term expires 1968
Ernest L. Mann (deceased)	Term expires 1968
John H. Stanton	Term expires 1968
Brian N. Haley	Term expires 1968

Trustees – Harriet Harding Fund

Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1970
Alfred Wigglesworth	Term expires 1969
Fenton A. Hastings	Term expires 1968

Planning Board

Roger G. Sullivan	Term expires 1972
Ernest G. Roberts	Term expires 1971

James C. Hatch (deceased)	Term expires 1970
Theodore L. Steensen	Appointed to 3/4/68
Perry Weston	Term expires 1969
Donald B. Norton	Term expires 1968

Trustees, Lincoln Library Fund

Roger W. Bennett	Term expires 1970
Cheney F. Newton	Term expires 1969
Everett D. Landen	Term expires 1968

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICERS – 1967

Town Accountant

Joseph Dmuchovsky	Term expires 1969
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Chief, Fire Dept. & Forest Warden

Robert L. Hanna	Term expires 1968
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Inspector of Animals

Frank B. Haley	Term expires 1968
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Inspector of Slaughtering

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1968
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Superintendent of Streets

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	Term expires 1968
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Moth Superintendent

Edward J. Killian	Term expires 1968
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Agent, Board of Health

Dr. John Rigatti	Term expires 1968
Marylou Antonovitch, R. N.	Term expires 1968

Veterans's Agent

Thomas J. Faulkner (Resigned)	Term expires 1968
Richard N. Billodeau	Appointed to fill unexpired term

Measurer of Wood and Bark

J. Frederick Lawrence	Term expires 1968
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Dog Officer

Arthur J. Moreau	Term expires 1968
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Field Drivers

Brian Haley	Term expires 1968
Neil Stalker	Term expires 1968
Fenton Hastings	Term expires 1968

Fence Viewers

Brian Haley	Term expires 1968
Franklin Smith	Term expires 1968
Neil Stalker	Term expires 1968

Town Counsel

E. Donald Riddle	Term expires 1968
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Finance Committee

Merrill Spear	Term expires 1970
William Spooner	Term expires 1970
Harold E. Hitchcock	Term expires 1970
W. Scott Gerrish (resigned)	Term expires 1969
William J. Cruess	Appointed to 3/4/68
Eugene Roberts	Term expires 1969
David L. Cheney	Term expires 1969
Leo E. Lavigne	Term expires 1968
Noah D. Fountain	Term expires 1968
Arthur E. Kenyon	Term expires 1968

Jury List

Donald Norton	Term expires 1970
George Mitchell	Term expires 1970
Leo Lavigne	Term expires 1969
Ernest E. Blake	Term expires 1969
Robert L. Roy	Term expires 1969
Richard Souliere	Term expires 1968
Richard Demetrius	drawn Sept. 25, 1967
William Whitten	drawn Oct. 9, 1967
Harriet Brown	drawn Sept. 25, 1967

Registrars

Shirley (Nichols) Thompson	Term expires 1970
Margaret V. McIntyre	Term expires 1969
Margaret Gilman	Term expires 1968

Civil Defense Director

C. Kenneth Silvius

Term expires 1968

Tri-Town Recreation Committee

Anne H. Dutka

Term expires 1968

Jean A. McGann

Term expires 1968

Theodore S. Closson

Term expires 1968

Planning Board – Board of Appeals

Cheney F. Newton

Term expires 1970

Francis L. Henderson

Term expires 1969

Lester H. Sheldon

Term expires 1968

Associate Members

Stanley Vaill

Term expires 1969

D. Walker Cheney

Term expires 1968

School Building Committee

Harold E. Hitchcock, Chairman

Richard C. Allen, Secretary

Ernest G. Roberts

Frank J. Hall

William F. Whitten

Terms expire when report submitted

Memorial Day Committee

Albert Gendreau

Term expires 1968

Margaret Gilman

Term expires 1968

James Hatch (deceased)

Term expires 1968

Florence Gendreau

Term expires 1968

Robert E. Bruce (deceased)

Term expires 1968

By-Law Committee

Theodore W. Skowyra

Term expires 1968

George B. Adams

Term expires 1968

Andrew W. Gondek

Term expires 1968

Caretaker at Dump

Alexander McVeigh

Term expires 1968

Gas Inspector

Merritt Hyatt,

R.F.D. 1, Palmer, Mass.

Term expires 1968

Caretaker at Common

L. Victor Howlett

Term expires 1968

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Licenses issued for the Division of Fisheries and Game:

107	Resident Fishing
87	Resident Hunting
73	Resident Sporting
21	Resident Minor Fishing
23	Resident Female Fishing
1	Resident Minor Trapping
2	Special Non-Resident Fishing
4	Non-Resident Fishing
3	Non-Resident Hunting
6	Duplicate Licenses
6	Archery Stamp
19	Resident Sporting (Free)

DOGS LICENSED.

150 Male @ \$2.00	\$300.00
43 Female @ \$5.00	215.00
80 Spayed Female @ \$2.00	160.00
15 Kennels @ \$10.00	150.00
1 Kennel @ \$50.00	50.00
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	\$875.00
Less Clerk's Fees - 289 @ 25¢	72.25
Balance paid to Treasurer	<hr/>
	\$802.75

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF DOG LAWS:

The owner or keeper of any dog three months old or over must have said dog licensed. Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31st of each year. Whoever violates the provisions of the dog laws shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$15.00.

BIRTHS RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Parents</u>
1967		
<u>January</u>		
21	Karen Marie Demers	Roland J. and Joan N. Tripp
29	Paul Edward Samek	Bernard, Sr., and Sylvia J. Holt
31	Bruce David Biron	Norman D. and Annette M. Wassmer
<u>March</u>		
8	Billy Ray McHugh	Bernard J. Jr., and Claudia F. Smith
<u>April</u>		
19	Robert Wayne Cote	Earl L. Sr., and Pearl L. Hazzard
19	Norman Leroy Whitman	Claude E. and Norma J. DeWitt
25	Kathleen Ann Russell	Charles W. and Diane M. Walton
<u>May</u>		
3	Dean Russell Lawrence	Cheney L. and Patricia J. Orlowski
19	Marilyn Donna Dickinson	Frank C., Jr. and Louise M. Houghton
30	Raymond Edward Dixon, Jr.	Raymond E. and Carolee A. Perkins
<u>July</u>		
7	Jennifer Ann Cook	Lucius J. and Marjorie A. Haney
9	Susan Elizabeth Cheney	David L. and Vickie S. Machesney
10	Lisa Ann Surprenant	Richard P. and Elaine M. Loranger
31	Lori Ann Berthiaume	Robert P. and Rita C. Racicot
<u>August</u>		
15	Genise Jackson	Joseph and Geneva Wood

September

10	David Lockhart Moriarty	Donald G. and Pamela E. Lockhart
18	Christine Irene Demetrius	Norris U. and Irene C. Morin
24	Monica Christine Christo	Robert and Elizabeth A. Zanella

October

4	Joseph W. Fitzgerald	Joseph A. Jr., and Catherine A. Donley
24	Michele A. Bernard	Robert A. and Margaret E. Beaudry

November

2	Lynn Marie Grudzien	Frank C. and Geraldine L. Kimball
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DEATHS RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Days</u>
1967				
<u>January</u>				
5	Harold Wilfred Swann	76	4	28
10	Frances M. (Fletcher) Moore	82	8	7
19	Margaret (O'Connor) Tatro	70	3	6
23	Lydia B. Hitchcock	94	10	22
<u>February</u>				
4	George Edward Tibbetts	68	1	20
9	Harry D. Gilman	48	6	23
26	Idabelle (Bowden) Smith	76	5	20
<u>March</u>				
3	Rosa (Morin) Leveillee	87	4	7
16	John Klimko	86	11	23
19	Anita (Hathaway) Lacerte	35	6	18
<u>May</u>				
8	Charles Myron Heck	83	7	29
12	Adam Solich	54	4	27
15	James Clarence Hatch	70	2	11
24	Ida (Converse) Gray	77	4	28
28	Paul T. Gokey	71	8	17
29	Fiorenzo Tiraboschi	51	9	18

July

4	Madison E. Webber	35	10	29
7	Jennifer Ann Cook			1
9	Ernest L. Mann	76	4	12
27	Lena (Gosselin)Bernier	87		

August

7	Mable (Flourney) Williams	51	8	8
21	Thomas Denis Stone	80	10	7
30	Wallace Horace Fountain	67	5	12

September

6	Robert Edmond Bruce	60		
7	Edward L. Lucius	74	9	1
19	Nellie A. Conroy	87	4	
26	Margaret T. (Dumas) McCarthy	47	7	28

October

1	Daisy E. (Richards) Dearden	78	0	13
3	Norman Lock Howlett	43	4	15
5	Maude (Babcock) Denning	94		
14	Johanna Murphy	85	4	3
15	Francis Seaby Smith	75	7	14
18	Carrie E. (Golden) Harris	84	5	22

November

1	Moise A. Monette	84		
7	George J. Gregoire	72	3	21
8	Anna G. (Haller) Parsons	78	0	17
11	George O. Barr	76	1	5
21	Peter Wallace Allen	19	10	12
25	Blanch C. (Smith) LeMay	59	11	10

December

12	Lyman N. Steele, Sr.	79	3	9
24	Joseph P. Renaud	75		2

MARRIAGES RECORDED

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
1967				
<u>February</u>				
24	Gregory W. Carr	Warren	Charley Claire Piper	Brimfield

March

3	Alexander H. McVeigh, Jr.	Brimfield	Jacqueline R. Dyer	Russell
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April

1	Ernest J. Blake	Brimfield	Marjorie M. Legare	Ware
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7	Donald B. Florek	Palmer	Ann Cheryl Lindell	Brimfield
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8	Arthur Dennis Lindsay	Brimfield	Rachel A. Robert	Southbridge
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8	William R. Merrill	Southampton	Clara L. Quinionez	Warehouse Pt., Conn.
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20	Chester B. Thompson	Southbridge	Shirley E. Nichols	Brimfield
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June

10	David Warren Gregory	Brimfield	Carolyn S. Ruchala	No. Oxford
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10	Robert W. Shepard	Worcester	Pearl A. Poirier	Brimfield
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24	Edward F. Fossett	Brimfield	Dora F. Bruce	Sturbridge
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24	Raymond C. Mansur	Brimfield	Patricia M. Brown	Springfield
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25	John David Stewart	Brimfield	Betty Ann Walker	Brookfield
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July

1	Richard E. Demetrius	Brimfield	Audrey Claire Lathe	Warren
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1	Roland Marvin Hicks	Brimfield	Norma Lee Waite	Brimfield
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15	Raymond Hewes Danforth	Wadsworth, O.	Helen Hildreth Spooner	Springfield
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September

2	David Gene Cutler	Brimfield	Cheryl Suzan Dupuis	Holland
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2	John Thomas Tully	Sturbridge	Margaret Theresa Beatty	Brimfield
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9	David Kruger Wands	Brimfield	Cora K. D. Shugrue	Springfield
9	Kenneth M. French	Brimfield	Norma Dorothy Jensen	Brimfield
23	Robert L. Hanna	Brimfield	Janet B. Anderson	Beltsville, Md
<u>October</u>				
5	Kenneth G. Howe	Brimfield	Hazel D. Rohan	Brimfield
19	Michael Glen Healy	Fiskdale	Candace Lee Bruce	Brimfield
27	Frank J. Tokanos	Sturbridge	Louise F. W. Gilman	Brimfield
<u>November</u>				
4	Royl Meric Schoonover	Palmer	Judith Melodie Moreau	Brimfield
4	Gary L. Spaulding	Monson	Sandra L. Phillips	Brimfield
11	Vaughn J. Heipler	Brimfield	Virginia M. Thompson	Brimfield
11	Dennis Galanakis	Astoria, L. I.	Sandra J. Portier	Astoria, L. I.
25	Raymond J. Tanguay, Jr.	Springfield	Barbara Jeanne Deyo	Brimfield
<u>December</u>				
29	Richard E. Puduski	Brimfield	Roberta A. Kovacik	Stafford Springs, Conn.

BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, March 6, 1967

Article 1 Elected town officers.

Article 2 Accepted reports of officers.

Article 3 Voted that salaries of Town Officers remain the same as 1966.

- Article 4 Voted \$1098.93 for compensation insurance, of which \$795.25 be transferred from the Compensation Insurance Fund, and \$303.68 be raised by taxation.
- Article 5 Voted to turn Dog Fund over to Library.
- Article 6 Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.
- Article 7 Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements.
- Article 8 Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell tax title property at public auction.
- Article 9 Voted to make no appropriation for Civil Defense.
- Article 10 Voted \$2500.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance.
- Article 11 Voted \$5000.00 for Chapter 90 construction.
- Article 12 Voted to transfer \$9022.91 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.
- Article 13 Voted \$2507.50 of Chapter 679 Funds, Acts of 1965 for reconstruction of the Dunhamtown-Palmer Road.
- Article 14 Voted \$1154.62 of Chapter 679 Funds, Acts of 1965 for reconstruction of Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road.
- Article 15 Voted to abandon 800 feet of the old construction on St. Clair Rd.
- Article 16 Voted to accept 800 feet of new construction on St. Clair Rd.
- Article 17 Voted to take no action on an appropriation for land damages.
- Article 18 Voted \$8000.00 from Machinery Account for new truck and truck body.
- Article 19 Voted to authorize Selectmen to sell 1960 Chevrolet Truck and any other small, unused and antiquated items.

- Article 20 Voted \$450 from Machinery Account to purchase new sander.
- Article 21 Voted to pay full time Highway employees for one week vacation and 6 holidays, after one year of service. (Holidays mentioned were New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.)
- Article 22 Voted \$209.00 for improved lighting from the Wales Road to Reid's Auction Acres.
- Article 23, 24, 25 and 26 dealt with improved street lighting for which no appropriation was voted.
- Article 27 Voted to join with Holland and Wales in a recreation program.
- Article 28 Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a three-member committee for the Recreation Program.
- Article 29 Voted \$175.00 for water safety program to be administered by Recreation Program Committee.
- Article 30 Voted \$100.00 to be used with \$117.04 given by Grange to install a flag pole and plaque in front of Town Hall as War Memorial.
- Article 31 Voted \$425.00 to paint main auditorium of Town Hall.
- Article 32 Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint Mrs. Mary Eleanor Streeter as Director of Library Services for a period of three years, as long as said Director continues to serve in such position.
- Article 33 Voted \$500.00 State Aid to Libraries for 1967 for use of Library.
- Article 34 Voted no action be taken concerning library fines.
- Article 35 Voted no appropriation for the Cemetery Wall Fund.
- Article 36 Voted to adopt a by-law concerning trailers. (NOTE: Attorney General did not approve this by-law.)

Article 37 Voted no action on unpaid 1966 bills, since there were none.

Article 38 Voted sums recommended in budget except that property insurance be \$2000.00, Town Reports \$780.00, Interest \$3000.00, Library \$3600.00, and that \$2700 of reserve fund be appropriated from free cash, Assessors \$1794.00.

Article 39 Voted no appropriation for stabilization fund.

BRIEF RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN AT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 6, 1967

- Article 1 Voted to transfer \$4000.00 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.
- Article 2 Voted to purchase snowplow, frame and pump for not over \$1500.00.
- Article 3 Voted to transfer \$1000 from Stream Clearance Chapter 91 Fund to Penny Brook Clearance Fund.
- Article 4 Voted to authorize Board of Selectmen to spend \$1000 mentioned in article 3.
- Article 5 Voted to amend by-laws by deleting office of Highway Surveyor from list of elected officers.
(NOTE: The amendment approved by Attorney General on November 30th, 1967.)

The foregoing information concerning these town meetings is an abstract only and does not reflect the exact wording of the official records.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Town Hall renovation project has completed a fourth year. The Brimfield Painting Contractors painted the Main Hall this year. The Selectmen hope to have approval to do the rest of the necessary painting this year.

Thanks to the Ernest Roberts Co., the flag pole and plaque were installed by Memorial Day.

The Penny Brook project that was approved at the Special Town meeting has been completed under the direction of Harold Hitchcock. All the cutting of brush, trees and burning being done by C. Lawrence.

The Selectmen hope to see a Maintenance Fund set up this year for the Town Barn and Fire Station. Now that we have these two, we hope to see them kept in good condition and repair.

A new fire truck is needed by the Fire Department to replace the 1942 Ford truck now becoming very expensive to repair and to completely replace some parts needed.

There is a great need for an addition to the Elementary School at this time. Classes must be held in rooms originally built for other than classrooms, and through the courtesy of St. Christopher's Church one class is being held there.

Brimfield Selectmen have sponsored an act in regards to Tantasqua School Committee members being appointed or immediately being reinstated, if the school enrollment so allows on October 1st.

The Southern end of the Hollow Rd. at the Wales-Brimfield line, has been started this year and it is hoped that this portion will be completed in 1968, and other sections started. The state is taking care of preliminary plans for work on these sections. Much planning and preliminary work goes into such construction from the original appropriation to the completion of the project. Land damage on the project to date has not been necessary through the generosity of the abutters. Money for land damages must come from town appropriations.

The project of straightening and widening the area on Dunhamtown-Brimfield Rd. and the "S" curve on Dunhamtown-Palmer Rd. has been completed very satisfactorily to all. Bids were asked on an alternate construction plan on the "S" curve but feeling this was not feasible, bids were asked on the original plan. The contract was given to the only bidder, Harold Hitchcock. Here again, no land damage costs were incurred, thanks to all involved.

The bridge over the railroad in West Brimfield was raised and planked by the New York Central Railroad. The only cost to the town was the price of the planks and these were laid for the town by the railroad. A new truck for the highway department was purchased as approved at the annual town meeting and a plow purchased as approved at the Special Town meeting Nov. 6, 1967. This is the third such plow proving very effective.

The 1960 Chevrolet Truck and obsolete equipment were sold and the town realized \$1562.00 from the sale.

In the Town Highway Department, there is a need for a new loader, the present one having been purchased in 1955 and now in need of extensive repairs.

The State Department of Public Works was contacted and after much discussion, eight stop signs were installed out of the nine areas requested.

A hearing was held at the Town Hall on July 1st relative to the By-Pass of the Town from the Dual Lane West of town continuing on to the East side of town eliminating Souliere's curve. The preliminary plans and construction have been promised in the next few months.

New and stronger lights were installed in the center of town as approved at the Annual Town meeting.

The license fees were brought more into line with the present time.

The Selectmen accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Streeter as "Director of Library Services."

Richard Billodeau has been appointed as Director of Veteran's Services and Veteran's Agent to replace Thomas Faulkner who resigned as Agent for the five towns of Brimfield, Holland, Wales, Monson and Hampden.

Albert Gendreau became involved in an accident on May 11, 1965 with Robert Manthorne while (according to Mr. Gendreau) he was carrying out his duties as Fire Chief for the town of Brimfield. Originally, under these conditions the Town had a suit for \$100,000 filed against them. On January 2, 1968, in Webster Court, Manthorne, through his attorney, agreed to a settlement of \$2000, offered by the Selectmen through and by their Town Counsel.

Insurance coverage has been taken to cover the Town in this type of a situation in the future and other questionable areas of responsibility if so involved.

The Board of Selectmen appreciate the fact that the various departments operated within their budgets. Only one special town meeting was held and extra expenses were kept to a minimum. We wish to thank the town officers, committees, employees and residents for their cooperation during the year 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD
OF SELECTMEN

Richard C. Allen,
Chairman
Frank B. Haley
Norris U. Demetrius



Dedication of Flag Pole

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1967

Commitments as per warrant		\$282,594.52
Abatements refunded		<u>1,589.20</u>
		284,183.72
Cash to Treasurer	\$227,147.02	
To Tax Title	1,241.26	
Abatements	<u>13,568.93</u>	
	241,957.71	<u>241,957.71</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		42,226.01

1966

Outstanding January 1, 1967		36,649.56
Cash to Treasurer	21,074.87	
Abatement	<u>239.70</u>	
	21,314.57	<u>21,314.57</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		15,334.99

1965

Outstanding January 1, 1967		8,453.44
Cash to Treasurer	4,056.39	<u>4,056.39</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		4,397.05

1964

Outstanding January 1, 1967		4,150.59
Cash to Treasurer	1,707.48	<u>1,707.48</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		2,443.11

1963

Outstanding January 1, 1967		1,483.61
Cash to Treasurer	778.75	<u>778.75</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		704.86

1962

Outstanding January 1, 1967		279.12
Cash to Treasurer	87.25	<u>87.25</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		191.87

1961

Outstanding January 1, 1967		147.90
Cash to Treasurer	2.00	<u>2.00</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		145.90

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		153.44
Cash to Treasurer	2.00	<u>2.00</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		151.44

	<u>1959</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		150.00
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>150.00</u>

	<u>1958</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		67.26
Cash to Treasurer	23.54	<u>23.54</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		43.32

Classified Forest Land

	<u>1967</u>	
Commitment as per warrant		1,571.96
Cash to Treasurer	1,390.94	
Abatement	<u>5.20</u>	
	1,396.14	<u>1,396.14</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		175.82

	<u>1966</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		224.19
Cash to Treasurer	127.77	<u>127.77</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		96.42

	<u>1965</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		19.89
Cash to Treasurer	12.87	<u>12.87</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		7.02

	<u>1964</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		1.08
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>1.08</u>

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		7.98
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>7.98</u>

Farm Animal Excise

	<u>1967</u>	
Commitment as per Warrant		147.95

Cash to Treasurer	120.70	<u>120.70</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		27.25

	<u>1966</u>	
Outstanding January 31, 1967		29.63
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>29.63</u>

	<u>1965</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		24.63
Cash to Treasurer	11.88	<u>11.88</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		12.75

	<u>1964</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		28.50
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>28.50</u>

	<u>1963</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		31.50
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>31.50</u>

Motor Vehicle Excise

	<u>1967</u>	
Committments as per Warrant		42,125.18
Abatements refunded		<u>697.04</u>
		42,822.22

Cash to Treasurer	30,793.77	
Abatements	<u>1,554.45</u>	
	32,348.22	
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>10,474.00</u>

	<u>1966</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		9,749.73
Abatements refunded		<u>364.23</u>
		10,113.96

Cash to Treasurer	7,367.37	
Abatements	<u>994.23</u>	
	8,361.54	
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>8,361.54</u>
		1,752.42

	<u>1965</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		5,631.25
Cash to Treasurer	2,397.26	<u>2,397.26</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		3,233.99

	<u>1964</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		3,731.29
Cash to Treasurer	1,474.92	<u>1,474.92</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		2,256.37

	<u>1963</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		1,783.66
Cash to Treasurer	225.23	<u>225.23</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		1,538.43

	<u>1962</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		1,262.56
Cash to Treasurer	5.30	<u>5.30</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		1,257.26

	<u>1961</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		905.88
Cash to Treasurer	64.66	<u>64.66</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		841.22

	<u>1960</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		733.41
Cash to Treasurer	46.91	<u>46.91</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		686.50

	<u>1959</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		152.36
Cash to Treasurer	1.00	<u>1.00</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1967		151.36

	<u>1958</u>	
Outstanding January 1, 1967		12.05
Outstanding December 31, 1967		<u>12.05</u>

Delinquent taxpayers may be listed in next year's report.

Respectfully submitted

RUBY SMITH,
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand,		
January 1, 1967	\$ 58,604.58	
Cash Receipts	<u>647,918.96</u>	\$706,523.54
Paid on Treasury Warrants	571,107.51	
Cash on Hand		
December 31, 1967	<u>135,416.03</u>	706,523.54

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER

Harriet Allen School Fund		\$ 1,261.96
Mary Burns School Fund		1,698.13
Library Funds		
Mary Hyde	\$ 831.50	
Ursula Shaw	2,878.90	
Endocia Flynt	103.52	
Albert Tarbell	200.00	
Julia Coy	645.04	
Elizabeth Robinson	411.41	
Fitzhenry Warren	1,000.00	
Emily Wood	500.00	
Mary Burns	1,000.00	7,570.37
Harriet Harding Fund		3,845.39
James O. Lincoln Library Building		4,033.69
Chaimberlain Smith Historical Fund		564.73
Pearsall Monument Fence Fund		188.90
Bliss Cemetery Gate Fund		62.77
Cemetery Wall Fund		441.24
Hoyt Animal Cemetery Fund		638.61
Cemetery Perpetual Care - Principal		19,245.74
Cemetery Perpetual Care - Interest		<u>16,221.56</u>
		\$ 55,773.09

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence H. Keith

Town Treasurer

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Raised by Taxation	\$ 413,121.15
Appropriated from Available Funds	48,407.22
Deficits due to abatements in excess of	
Overlay in prior years	2,299.34
School Lunch Program	1,306.32
Free Public Libraries	500.00
Town Barn Account (Overdrawn)	26,633.41
County Tax	9,845.91
Audit of Municipal Accounts	3,226.61
State Recreation Areas	1,570.46
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	169.50
Overlay of Current Year	<u>9,505.58</u>

Gross Amount to be Raised	516,823.49
Available Funds & Estimated Receipts	<u>235,012.61</u>

Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation 281,810.88

TAX RATE: \$52.00 per M.

Personal Property Valuation	519,860.00
Real Estate Valuation	<u>4,899.580.00</u>

Total Valuation 5,419.440.00

Classified Forest Land Tax	1,564.16
Farm Animal Excise Tax	147.95
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	42,125.18

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
JOHN M. HALEY
ANDREW W. GONDEK

**REPORT OF
THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1967**

**RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE**

Taxes:

Personal 1967	\$ 26,364.00	
Real Estate 1967	200,783.02	
Classified Forest Land 1967	1,352.00	
Trailer Tax 1967	3,454.00	
Poll Tax Previous Years	8.00	
Personal Tax Previous Years	555.50	
Real Estate Tax		
Previous Years	29,706.47	
Classified F. L. Previous Years	<u>173.61</u>	\$262,396.60

Motor Vehicle Excise

Levy of 1967	31,100.32	
Previous Years	<u>10,900.04</u>	42,000.36

Farm Animal Excise

Levy of 1967	120.70	
Previous Years	<u>13.38</u>	134.08

Comm. of Mass.

Corp. and State Tax Basis	45,460.28	
State Aid to Libraries	500.00	
Special Education	564.00	
Meals Tax	663.83	
Reimb. - Loss of Taxes	<u>11,485.89</u>	58,674.00

Licenses and Permits

Liquor	1,350.00	
All Other	<u>113.00</u>	1,463.00

Court Fines

200.00

Grants from Federal Government

Old Age Assistance	1,652.65	
Aid to Dependent Children	10,217.19	
Medical Assistance	11,669.32	
National Defense		
Education Act	178.21	
School Lunch Program	2,411.48	
Chapter 679 Act of 1965	<u>3,662.12</u>	29,790.97

Grants from State		
Chapter 70 School Aid	\$ 34,755.91	
Vocational Tuition	300.50	
Guardian Tuition and Transportation	4,778.06	
Reimbursement of Tuition and Transportation	25,233.00	
Highway Chapter 81	<u>18,991.20</u>	\$ 84,058.67
Gifts from Individuals		
R. & B. Bruce Cemetery Perpetual Care		100.00
Special Assessments		
Recording Fees for Cemetery Lots	10.00	
Graves and Foundations	775.00	
Gas Inspection Fees	<u>45.50</u>	830.50
All Other General Revenue		
Sale of Tax Possession Property		<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE		<u><u>\$479,748.18</u></u>

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

General Government		
Compensation Fee		
Mass. W.H. Tax	\$ 30.21	
Telephone Booth Commission	86.42	
Town Hall Rentals	<u>189.00</u>	\$ 305.63
Protection of Persons & Property		
Police		
Accident Report Fees	3.00	
Civil Defense		
Sale of Equipment	75.00	
Dog Officer		
Services	316.00	
County Dog Fund	<u>526.16</u>	920.16
Highways		
Joint Maintenance - State	2,498.87	
Joint Maintenance - County	2,498.87	
Sale of Equipment	1,612.00	

Highway Machinery Fund	\$ 12,364.88	
Joint Construction - State	9,999.93	
Joint Construction - County	4,999.96	
Compensation Insurance	<u>936.37</u>	\$ 34,910.88
Public Welfare		
General Relief - State	8.37	
Aid to Dependent Children - State	6,252.70	
Aid to Dependent Children - Individuals	1,525.00	
Medical Assistance - State	6,683.89	
Old Age Assistance - State	558.69	
Old Age Assistance-Individual	2,057.40	
Veterans Benefits - State	<u>236.22</u>	17,322.27
Schools		
Other Tuition	287.20	
Lunch Receipts	<u>6,728.92</u>	7,016.12
Libraries		
Fines		126.08
Interest		
On Deposits	147.83	
On Deferred Taxes	1,317.83	
On Special Assessments	1.40	
On Motor Vehicle Excise	599.51	
On Library Funds	<u>348.98</u>	<u>2,415.55</u>
TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE		<u>\$ 63,016.69</u>
Municipal Indebtedness		
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue		\$ 87,600.00
Agency, Trust & Investment		
Dog Licenses for County	\$ 802.75	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	1,183.34	
Cemetery Wall Fund	16.00	
Federal W.H. Taxes	14,331.90	
Mass. W.H. Taxes	2,006.31	
County Retirement	<u>1,103.92</u>	19,444.22
Refunds and Transfers		
Schools - Refund	261.50	
Savings Bank Transfer	<u>2,423.13</u>	<u>2,684.63</u>
Total Receipts		652,493.72

Cash in Savings Account	
Jan. 1, 1967	\$ 3,890.96
Cash in Treasury Account	
Jan. 1, 1967	<u>54,713.62</u>
TOTALS	\$711,098.30

PAYMENTS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator:		
Salary	\$ 50.00	
Travel	<u>14.25</u>	\$ 64.25
Selectmen:		
Salaries	950.00	
Clerk	300.00	
Printing, Stationery		
& Postage	164.91	
Travel	176.78	
Telephone	211.05	
Dog Officer Services	635.00	
Dog List	50.00	
Gas Inspector	45.50	
All Other	<u>86.60</u>	2,619.84
Town Accountant:		
Salary	1,200.00	
Printing, Stationery		
& Postage	60.78	
Dues	<u>5.00</u>	1,265.78
Town Treasurer:		
Salary	650.00	
Printing, Stationery		
& Postage	276.65	
Surety Bond	143.00	
Burglary Insurance	59.00	
All Other	<u>5.65</u>	1,134.30
Tax Collector:		
Salary	600.00	
Burglary Insurance	135.00	
Printing, Stationery		
& Postage	433.26	
Surety Bond	163.00	
All Other	<u>25.80</u>	1,357.06

Assessors:		
Salaries	\$ 900.00	
Clerk	400.00	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	247.71	
Travel	171.00	
All Other	<u>15.00</u>	\$ 1,733.71
Certifying Notes		10.00
Finance Committee:		
Clerk Salary	25.00	
Travel	<u>20.00</u>	45.00
Town Counsel		200.00
Town Clerk:		
Salary	350.00	
Recording Fees	74.00	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	109.17	
Surety Bond	10.00	
All Other	<u>44.91</u>	588.08
Election & Registration:		
Salaries of Registrars	92.75	
Salaries of Election Officers	124.50	
Printing, Stationery & Postage	69.79	
Street List	210.70	
All Other	<u>7.50</u>	505.24
Town Hall:		
Salary of Janitor	900.00	
Fuel	931.40	
Light	188.88	
Janitors Supplies	70.90	
Repairs	64.33	
Painting	425.00	
All Others	<u>30.16</u>	<u>2,610.67</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		<u>\$ 12,133.93</u>

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Dept:

Wages	\$	453.50	
Equipment		59.50	
Permits		10.00	
Travel		<u>77.00</u>	\$ 600.00

Fire Dept:

Salary of Fire Chief	200.00	
Forest Fire Wages	100.50	
Apparatus Equip. & Repair	1,184.58	
Hose Equip. & Repair	180.00	
Gasoline and Oil	198.30	
Radio Maint. & Repair	110.85	
Fuel	209.25	
Light	82.89	
Repairs of Building	14.38	
Rent	90.00	
All Other	14.37	
Telephone	364.70	
Insurance	1,224.09	
Inspection and Permits	<u>86.10</u>	4,060.01

Civil Defense:

Director's Salary	100.00
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Moth Suppression:

Labor	199.80	
Travel	11.21	
Comp. Insurance	<u>8.99</u>	220.00

Tree Warden:

Salary	50.00	
Tree Removal	375.00	
Gas and Oil	<u>7.77</u>	<u>432.77</u>

TOTAL PROTECTION

PERSONS & PROPERTY

\$ 5,412.78

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Dept:

Salaries	\$	150.00
Water System Repair		12.72
Travel & Inspection		23.00
Medicine & Medical Attendance		243.30

Barn & Animal Inspection	\$	75.00	
Care of Dump		<u>760.25</u>	\$ 1,264.27

HIGHWAYS

General Highways Bridge Repair:

Supt. Wages	\$	330.00	
Labor		256.80	
Lumber & Materials		204.00	
Trucks		4.00	
Comp. Ins.		<u>26.39</u>	\$ 821.19

General Highways Snow Removal:

Supt. Wages		2,291.65	
Labor		3,776.48	
Salt & Sand		4,134.59	
Trucks		5,270.09	
Comp. Ins.		<u>272.85</u>	<u>15,745.66</u>

TOTAL GENERAL HIGHWAY			\$ <u><u>16,566.85</u></u>
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Chapter 81 Maint:

Supt. Wages	\$	2,176.63	
Labor		5,302.12	
Stone, Gravel & Oil		5,694.57	
Hired Equipment		425.75	
Trucks		5,644.84	
Comp. Ins.		336.54	
Clerk		210.00	
Culverts		349.86	
All Other		<u>19.04</u>	\$ 20,159.35

Chapter 679:

Dunhamtown, Palmer Road

Hired Labor and Equipment		1,864.00	
Fill		200.00	
Gravel		163.44	
Culverts		<u>280.06</u>	2,507.50

Dunhamtown Brimfield Road

Hired Labor and Equipment		333.14	
Culverts		50.81	
Blasting		119.50	
Gravel and Oil		<u>651.17</u>	<u>1,154.62</u>

TOTAL CHAPTER 679			\$ <u><u>3,662.12</u></u>
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Penny Brook Stream Clearance:		
Hired Labor & Equipment		\$ 1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maint:		
Supt. Wages	\$ 235.13	
Labor	579.51	
Trucks	99.45	
Oil and Top	5,540.58	
Painting Lines	977.50	
Advertising Bids	8.57	
Clerk	22.50	
Comp. Ins.	36.66	
TOTAL CHAPTER 90 MAINT.		\$ <u>7,499.90</u>
Chapt. 90 Const:		
Supt. Wages	\$ 943.25	
Labor	1,330.00	
Trucks	1,342.50	
Lumber	32.23	
Stakes	22.50	
Advertising Bids	5.00	
Surveyor	454.40	
Clerk	90.00	
Hired Equipment	376.00	
Comp. Insurance	102.27	\$ 4,698.15
Machinery Maint:		
Supt. Wages	272.25	
Labor	299.50	
Telephone	173.00	
Parts and Repairs	4,282.53	
Comp. Ins.	25.73	
Gas and Oil	1,548.26	
Heat, Light and Power	613.11	
Trucks	4.00	
Insurance	614.54	
All Other	29.57	7,862.49
Highway Equipment Purchases:		
Truck	4,578.00	
Advertising Bids	6.12	
Snow Plows	1,216.00	
Advertising Bids	3.40	
Sander	450.00	6,253.52

Street Lighting:

Lights	\$ 2,561.40	
Phone Booth	<u>37.83</u>	\$ <u>2,599.23</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAYS		\$ <u><u>70,301.61</u></u>

PUBLIC WELFARE

General Administration:

Salaries Town	75.00	
Fed.	<u>75.00</u>	\$ 150.00
Southeast Hampden Welfare District	<u>958.00</u>	\$ 1,108.00

General Relief - Town

Groceries and Provisions	34.85	
Medicines & Medical Attendance	<u>27.02</u>	61.87

Town Aid to Dependent

Children 12,323.50

Fed. Aid to Dependent

Children 8,366.25 20,689.75

Town Medical Assistance 15,808.75

Federal Medical Assistance 12,243.75 28,052.50

Town Old Age Assistance 2,246.90

Fed. Old Age Assistance 1,721.00 3,967.90

Town Veterans' Benefits

1,512.45

TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE

\$ 55,392.47

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

General Administration:

School Committee - Salaries	\$ 300.00
Supt. Salary	1,594.12
Clerks	2,129.81
Truant Officer	83.36
Printing, Stationery & Postage	165.63
Telephone	483.42
Travel	725.55
School Census	50.00
Office Expenses and Equipment	316.95

All Other	\$ 182.79	
Principal's Clerk	<u>501.38</u>	\$ 6,533.01
Teachers Salaries:		
Elementary:	68,060.74	
Substitutes	<u>2,073.88</u>	70,134.62
Text Books & Supplies:		
Text and Reference Books	3,128.16	
Supplies	<u>2,531.66</u>	5,659.82
Tuition:		
Supt.and Principal Training	234.48	
Special Education	1,192.50	
Vocational	<u>3,520.14</u>	4,947.12
Tantasqua Regional High School		173,324.39
Transportation:		
High School	24,753.15	
Elementary	8,850.34	
Vocational	<u>1,257.16</u>	34,860.65
Janitor's Services:		
Office	26.62	
Elementary	<u>7,560.05</u>	7,586.67
Fuel and Light:		
Fuel	1,285.56	
Light	<u>1,160.33</u>	2,445.89
Maintenance of Building and Grounds:		
Repairs	3,865.53	
Janitor's Supplies	827.49	
All Other	<u>415.00</u>	5,108.02
Furniture & Furnishings:		
Elementary		1,955.95
Rent:		
Office	221.28	
Classroom	<u>400.00</u>	621.28
Other Expenses:		
Miscellaneous Tests and Printing	190.75	
Insurance	<u>10.89</u>	201.64

School Health:

Physicians	\$	225.00	
Nurse		914.00	
Psychological Tests		280.00	
Travel		<u>26.90</u>	\$ 1,445.90

School Lunches:

Wages		3,788.75	
Food		4,527.75	
Other		<u>296.34</u>	<u>8,612.84</u>

TOTAL SCHOOLS

\$323,437.80

LIBRARIES

Salaries & Wages:

Librarian	\$	905.00	
Assistants		1,062.49	
Janitors		<u>420.00</u>	\$ 2,387.49

Books and Periodicals:

Books		955.71	
Periodicals		<u>244.35</u>	1,200.06

Fuel and Light:

Fuel		455.85	
Light		<u>225.43</u>	681.28

Buildings:

Repairs		413.00	
Care of Grounds		45.00	
Janitors Supplies		<u>32.24</u>	490.24

Sherman Memorial Library Room

300.00

Other Expenses:

Stationery and Postage		93.82	
Telephone		101.67	
All Other		<u>4.40</u>	<u>199.89</u>

TOTAL LIBRARIES

\$ 5,258.96

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Recreation:

Town Common	\$	410.38	
Tri-town Recreation Program		<u>193.25</u>	\$ 603.63

Unclassified

Memorial Day	290.20	
Annuities	150.00	
Town Reports	780.00	
Insurance	2,059.70	
Workmens Compensation	1,098.93	
Town Garage Grounds Seeding	350.00	
War Memorial Flagpole	<u>217.04</u>	<u>4,945.87</u>

TOTAL RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

\$ 5,549.50

CEMETERIES

Contract Labor	\$	933.75	
Sod and Sand		63.55	
Equipment		37.78	
Gas and Oil		4.95	
Top oiling		106.43	
Repairs		<u>19.87</u>	1,166.33

INTEREST

Temporary Loan			
Anticipation of Revenue			\$ 2,151.63

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Highway Loan	\$	50,000.00	
State Recreation Areas		1,883.27	
Auditing Municipal Accounts		3,226.61	
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills		169.50	
Veterans' Service District		<u>595.00</u>	55,874.38

AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENTS

Agency:

County Tax	\$	9,866.03	
County Retirement Assessment		1,715.00	
Dog Licenses for County		<u>819.25</u>	\$ 12,400.28

Trust and Investment:

Cemetery Perpetual		
Care Funds	\$ 1,202.19	
R. & B. Bruce Perpetual		
Care Fund	100.00	
Cemetery Wall Fund	16.00	
Federal W.H. Tax	14,685.70	
Mass. W. H. Tax	2,035.13	
County Retirement	<u>1,214.91</u>	\$ <u>19,253.93</u>
TOTAL AGENCY,		
TRUST and INVESTMENT		\$ <u><u>31,654.21</u></u>

REFUNDS & TRANSFERS

Refunds:

Taxes	\$ 2,254.25	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,307.02	
Aid to Dependent Children Fed.	<u>100.00</u>	\$ <u>3,661.27</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$573,259.14
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Total Transfers from Savings to

Regular Account		2,423.13
Cash in Savings Bank December 31, 1967		1,467.83
Cash in Regular Account		
December 31, 1967		<u>133,948.20</u>
TOTAL		\$ <u><u>711,098.30</u></u>

**TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1967
GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash in Bank	\$133,948.20	Temporary Loans	
Cash in Savings	<u>1,467.83</u>	In Anticipation	
	\$135,416.03	of Revenue	\$ 87,600.00
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:		Payroll Deductions	
Levy of 1958		Federal Withholding	
Personal Property	\$ 9.12	Tax	\$ 1,300.00
Real Estate	34.20	Mass. Withholding	
		Tax	191.76
Levy of 1959		County Retirement	<u>110.35</u>
Personal Property	28.75		1,602.11
Real Estate	121.25		
		Receipts Reserved for	
Levy of 1960		Appropriations	
Poll	32.00	Compensation Insurance	
Personal Property	79.80	Fund	.804.08
Real Estate	29.64	Road Machinery Fund	5,922.85
		Cemetery Lot Recording	
Levy of 1961		Fees	80.00
Poll	28.00	Overlays Reserved for	
Personal Property	80.10	Abatements	
Real Estate	37.80	1962 Overlay	191.87

1963 Overlay	\$	730.06	
1964 Overlay		<u>2,443.11</u>	\$ 3,365.04
Overlay Surplus			
			4,730.51
Revenue Reserved for			
Collections			
Motor Vehicle			
Excise			
Revenue		25,742.50	
Farm Animal			
Excise			
Revenue		128.13	
Classified Forest			
Land Revenue		275.44	
Tax Title Revenue		9,028.98	
Departmental			
Revenue		2,024.99	
Aid to Highways			
Revenue		<u>22,609.90</u>	59,809.94

Levy of 1962			
Poll	\$	44.00	
Personal Property		29.76	
Real Estate		118.11	
Levy of 1963			
Poll		64.00	
Personal Property		88.20	
Real Estate		577.86	
Levy of 1964			
Personal Property		61.56	
Real Estate		2,381.55	
Levy of 1965			
Personal Property		217.62	
Real Estate		3,866.51	
Levy of 1966			
Personal Property		228.35	
Real Estate		12,207.06	
Levy of 1967			
Personal Property		822.12	
Real Estate		<u>40,794.03</u>	\$ 61,981.39

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TOWN APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

	<u>Reserve Trans. & Other Sources</u>	<u>From Approp.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	\$	\$		\$	\$
Moderator		70.00	70.00	64.25	5.75
Selectmen		2,700.00	2,700.00	2,619.84	80.16
Town Accountant		1,350.00	1,350.00	1,265.78	84.22
Town Treasurer		1,135.00	1,135.00	1,134.30	.70
Tax Collector		1,357.50	1,357.50	1,357.06	.44
Assessors		1,794.00	1,794.00	1,733.71	60.29
Certifying Notes		20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00
Finance Committee		75.00	75.00	45.00	30.00
Town Counsel		200.00	200.00	200.00	-
Town Clerk		600.00	600.00	588.08	11.92
Election & Registration		525.00	525.00	505.24	19.76
Planning Board		300.00	300.00	-	300.00
Town Hall		3,100.00	3,100.00	2,185.67	914.33
Town Hall Painting Acct.		425.00	425.00	425.00	-
Police Dept.		600.00	600.00	600.00	-
Fire Dept.	140.00	4,160.50	4,300.50	4,060.01	240.49
Moth Suppression		220.00	220.00	220.00	-
Tree Warden		500.00	500.00	432.77	67.23
Health Dept.		2,200.00	2,200.00	1,264.27	935.73
General Highways	1,577.96	15,000.00	16,577.96	16,566.85	11.11
Chapt. 81 Maint.	17,600.00	2,560.00	20,160.00	20,159.35	.65

Chapt. 90 Maint.	\$	5,000.00	\$	2,500.00	\$	7,500.00	\$	7,499.90	\$	.10
Chapt. 90 Const.				5,000.00		5,000.00		5.00		4,995.00
Penny Boook Stream				.						
Clearance				1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00		-
Chapt. 679		3,662.12				3,662.12		3,662.12		-
Street Lighting		117.23		2,482.00		2,599.23		2,599.23		-
Highway Mach.Purchases		9,950.00				9,950.00		6,253.52		3,696.48
Southeast Hampden										
Welfare District				958.00		958.00		958.00		-
Public Assistance		75.00		30,500.00		30,575.00		30,553.72		21.28
Veterans Benefits		533.00		1,000.00		1,533.00		1,512.45		20.55
School Dept.		261.50		141,316.08		141,577.58		141,500.57		77.01
Tantasqua Reg.H.S.				173,324.39		173,324.39		173,324.39		-
School Bldg.Com.		575.00				575.00				575.00
Library		1,375.14		3,600.00		4,975.14		4,958.96		16.18
Common		10.38		400.00		410.38		410.38		-
Tri-Town Rec.Com		50.00		175.00		225.00		193.25		31.75
Annuities				150.00		150.00		150.00		-
Memorial Day		10.20		280.00		290.20		290.20		-
War Memorial Flagpole		117.04		100.00		217.04		217.04		-
Reserve Fund		2,700.00		4,800.00		7,500.00		3,906.47		3,593.53
Interest Account				3,000.00		3,000.00		2,151.63		848.37
Workmens Compensation		795.25		303.68		1,098.93		1,098.93		-
Town Reports				780.00		780.00		780.00		-
Town Property Insurance		59.70		2,000.00		2,059.70		2,059.70		-
Cemetery Account				1,200.00		1,200.00		1,166.33		33.67
County Retirement System				1,715.00		1,715.00		1,715.00		-
Totals	\$	44,609.52	\$	415,476.15	\$	460,085.67	\$	443,403.97	\$	16,681.70

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has devoted much of its time to the preparation of a zoning by-law which will be presented at a special town meeting soon.

James C. Hatch was one of the original members of the Planning Board. His loss is deeply felt. He had a keen interest in community affairs and never hesitated to do his part.

Respectfully submitted,

PERRY WESTON, Chairman

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

During the year I have picked up and confined at my home for the required number of days, 34 dogs, disposed of 37 dogs, 3 dogs were hit on the highway. I have investigated 10 complaints, 3 dogs barking at night and tipping over garbage cans, 4 dogs have bitten children, 1 dog killing turkeys, 1 dog killing rabbits and 1 dog killing ducks.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MOREAU
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

The Brimfield Police have traveled approximately 5,915 miles this year patrolling the highways in the town.

The police officers have spent a total of 2,440 hours on duty which consisted of night, Sundays, holidays, weekdays and many emergencies. The average compensation for the active man was again \$45 each for the year. The officers were on staggered duty from Friday evening prior to Halloween through Tuesday evening. Many of these men were on duty from 6:30 P.M. until long after midnight. The officers that worked three through five nights were compensated a total of \$5. The officers have been compensated by those engaging them for dances, auctions, horse show and other special duty.

Thirty-eight written warnings, twenty-eight complaints and NO arrests were made this year. Many resulted in court attendance and some were paid through Power of Attorney by mail. Court dispositions were made for driving without a license, speeding, improper equipment, road, stop sign and red light violations. Twenty-four summons were served to residents of Brimfield for other Police departments. Seventeen vehicle accidents and one vehicle-pedestrian accident were investigated, one being the very tragic accident at the East Brimfield-Holland Rd. and Route #20 intersection, on July 4th. The department also assisted the State Police, Registry of Motor Vehicles and other departments with investigations of one death of a person at home, two assists in persons wanted on warrants for arrest, one runaway, one drunkenness, disturbing the peace and assault and battery, one assist in driving under the influence, one theft of a vehicle, one breaking and entering case, one assist and investigation of a person molesting a minor child of the opposite sex, along with many other minor complaints.

Nine messages from other Police departments were relayed in cases of sickness, death, etc. Accident reports on 26 accidents in Brimfield were received from 31 persons involved. Accident reports MUST be filed with the Registry of Motor Vehicles and the Chief of Police in the town where the accident occurs, involving personal injury or vehicle damage or combined vehicle damage of \$200 or more. Co-

operation has been received from the residents of Brimfield and has made our job much easier.

The cooperation of the Massachusetts State Police, Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles and the neighboring city and town police departments has been of great assistance to the Brimfield Police department. The police officers of our department have been complimented by many from Brimfield and others who have been in or passed through Brimfield. The services the police officers have performed have kept accidents and complaints at a minimum. They have always willingly given their services regardless of weather or time of day or night. The Brimfield Police Departments and my work has been made easier through the cooperation and efforts of these officers and I again wish to congratulate and thank them all.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. ALLEN,
Chief of Police

**REPORT OF
THE FIRE CHIEF**

This past year the Town was very fortunate in regards to grass, brush and woodland fires. Due to the great amount of rain, it kept the woods damp enough to keep the fires at a minimum.

Department activities for 1967 were as follows:

Grass fires	7
Brush and woodlands	3
Truck fires	1
Dump	2
House	9
Cottage	1
Cabin	1
Fires reported by tower	3

I am very grateful to the people of the Town for their cooperation in obtaining open-air fire permits. Over 400 permits were issued by the Department during 1967. I hope this practice will continue in the future. Permits may be obtained by calling 245-3552 during the day, and

245-7752 at night. Again, I wish to remind the people that burning in a barrel is permitted between the hours of 6 o'clock P.M. and 6 o'clock A.M. Any open fire has to be by permit only.

I would like to thank the citizens of the Town, and particularly the members of the Fire Department for all the assistance they have given me during this past year. Also, my thanks go to the Fire Departments of Wales, Holland and Monson.

We have completed work on the 1000 gallon Tanker. The members of the Department did this work themselves and the total cost for the Town was \$25.00. We are asking for a new truck to replace the 1942 Ford, which is in very poor condition.

The members have done a great deal more work this past year that has saved the Town much money. To list all of this would take too long. I would just like the Town's people to remember that all is done voluntarily on Saturdays, Sundays, and after work during the week nights.

Again, I want to thank everyone for all of their help during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT L. HANNA
Chief, Brimfield Fire
Department

AMBULANCE SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1967

I herewith submit my report as Secretary of the Ambulance Service for the year as follows:

The Department serviced calls from 43 local residents, including accidents, and 38 out-of-town calls from Wales, and Holland, with a total of 81 calls and 1653 miles of driving during the year.

The foregoing represents an increase in both calls and mileage over previous years, and indicates very clearly that the Ambulance Service provides very necessary medical security to Brimfield, Wales and Holland, none of which have a resident physician.

The Annual Fire Department Supper was held in February, in the Congregational Church Fellowship Room; the Annual Firemen's Dance in April, in the Town Hall; also the Easter Special in April; a Magic Show in March; a Band Concert in June, and the Annual Lawn Party in July. We extend our sincere thanks to all those who cooperated and patronized these projects. Charges for the use of the ambulance are kept to a minimum, and cover only that period of time when a patient is actually being transported, therefore, these money-raising projects are necessary for maintenance of the ambulance.

Twenty-one fire department members completed the Advanced First Aid Refresher Course. We thank these residents who give freely of their time and energy to prepare themselves for ambulance service, and who hold themselves in readiness all hours of the day and night to assist when needed. Every effort is also made to maintain efficiency in care and handling, and to this end we have acquired a set of the new inflatable splints, donated by an interested resident. Another interested resident has periodically donated sheets and blankets.

When in need of ambulance service, please call 245-7222. If your home is off the main road, please station some individual at the intersection with the main road to lead the ambulance, and a lighted porch light at night can be of great help and save many precious moments.

May we count on everyone's consideration and cooperation during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO LAVIGNE, Secretary
Brimfield Volunteer Fire
Department



First Aid Instruction

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

My appointment as Civil Defense Director was made in March by the Selectmen, for the year of 1967.

Brimfield was represented at all meetings at Ludlow Hospital, headquarters of Sector 4-A. Meetings were held under the direction of Mr. Robert Osgood who replaced Mr. William Linahand, former director of Sector 4-A.

A group of Civil Defense personnel have received advanced First Aid cards after attending the required number of classes given by Mr. Richard Allen and Fire Chief Robert Hanna.

We have been very fortunate to obtain Kevin Moore as Radio Officer for Brimfield. We are prepared, but Sector 4-A has only had two practice tests this year.

This year again I have not asked for an appropriation as I feel there are still sufficient funds in the account to cover all necessary expenditures for 1968.

Our C. D. Director wishes to thank all for their help and cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. KENNETH SILVIUS
Director of Civil Defense

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR 1967

Efforts have continued with the State Department of Health to obtain a Visiting Nurse to come to Brimfield on a part-time basis. The Department of Health has attempted to get this service from Palmer, Southbridge and Monson without success. This service at times is very necessary because of the elderly population who need this special care in their own home.

It was decided to open the town dump at all hours. This was on a trial basis and has worked out well. The dumping of trash on the road near the gate has been eliminated with the dump open all of the time.

Investigation was made on four complaints of water pollution and the State Inspector made the determinations. He also checked the Springfield Boys' Club and the Boy Scout Camp.

Inspection of the nursing home, rest home and trailer camp was made. Licenses were issued for milk permits, camp and trailer park and motels. Permits were given for junk and rubbish collection. The location and inspection of 17 septic tanks was made.

Immunization of the school children was carried out by Dr. John Rigatti and Mrs. Marylou Antonovitch, R.N. There was a flurry of scarlet fever in the spring but no one was seriously ill. There were two premature babies born in 1967. Follow-up was made on two former TB patients. Several cases of dog bite were reported. As the dogs in the area were immunized against rabies, there was no evidence of this disease due to the bites.

Two members of the Board of Health attended a meeting of the State Health Officers in Ludlow where the duties of the town Board of Health and state-wide plan for protection of the children and communities was discussed.

The Board of Health wish to thank the residents of Brimfield for their cooperation in keeping the town a healthy town.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN, Chairman ROGER G. OSTERHELD, M.D.
VIOLET LOUX, R.N. Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We are now a member town of the Southeast Hampden Welfare District. Your Welfare Board took this action in order to cut the ever-mounting costs of administration, but we are very sorry to have to state that the ever and ever increasing cost of social & medical assistance has more than nullified any saving that was initiated by the Board. Right now conditions are in a state of chaos, owing to new laws and regulations being put into operation.

No doubt you are aware the State is supposed to be taking over the administration duties of the whole welfare system as of July 1st 1968. We have had no information as yet to the need for committees or Welfare Boards, so the only procedure we can suggest at this time is for the present Board to carry on to the end of its term, and then from that time on one of our Selectmen represent our town (as the other four towns are represented) until such time as conditions warrant further action by the taxpayers.

ALFRED WIGGLESWORTH,
Chairman Board of Public Welfare

Homer Parker, Timothy Denning, Members

**REPORT OF
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND
BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

If the activities in Public Welfare in 1967 are any indication of where welfare is going in the future, it would not take a crystal ball to foresee its end. Never in the history of this nation - and this state - has such emphasis been placed on the plight of the disadvantaged, the medically indigent, and racial inequality. In Massachusetts, much of the blame has been laid on the doorstep of public welfare. Never has a department of this state been so bitterly, and may I say, so unjustly criticized. The ills of the world have been brought to our attention, and even though home, school, and community have failed to bring about socioeconomic security and mental health, the welfare departments' efforts have been labeled punitive and ineffective. To compensate for this, new legislation has been passed to make Public Welfare a responsibility of the State, both fiscal and administrative.

This new legislation, although allowing for community service centers, where total needs will be met, does not mention the number of such centers, where they will be located, and how serviced. It does give the Commissioner of Public Welfare almost complete autonomy. The transition period may be extended for some years from our present system to one solely administered by the State, and our one hope is that there be no disruption of service to our clients during the transition period.

During 1967, we all felt the impact of Medicaid, Title 19, of the Social Security Amendments. This is a comprehensive medical program for our medically indigent. This program is under severe attack due to the looseness of the application process. Its liberality has proved beneficial to the many who are now sheltered under its wide spread wings! It is evident that some changes are necessary if the program is to continue. There must be modifications in many areas of the eligibility requirements. It is also worthy to be noted that since the program's inception, medical costs have soared alarmingly. All medical vendors have increased the cost of their services in the wake of this program.

July 1, 1968 will be the dawn of a new era. The local welfare department will then be an extension of the State

Department of Public Welfare owing first allegiance to the State Department of Public Welfare. We hope that we will still serve our communities to the best of our abilities. The communities needs justify our existence.

Albert R. Dupsha, Director

Alfred Wigglesworth, Chairman

Timothy Denning

Homer Parker

SOUTHEAST HAMPDEN WELFARE DISTRICT

(Breakdown of Cash Receipts for year 1967)

Payments from Towns

Comprising District:

Brimfield Holland Welfare District	\$ 2,392.79	
Holland	2,878.80	
Brimfield	958.00	
Hampden	1,209.60	
Monson	4,846.80	
Wales	<u>907.20</u>	\$13,193.19

Received from
Federal Government

March	3,961.62	
June	5,034.32	
August	3,853.65	
November	<u>5,951.78</u>	18,801.37

Received from State

March	2,014.57	
June	2,786.38	
August	2,659.24	
November	<u>2,724.46</u>	10,184.65

Received for:

Federal Tax	\$ 3,672.10	
State Tax	517.84	
Retirement	1,458.73	
Blue Cross	461.88	
Employer's Comp.		
on State Tax	8.84	
Overpayment refunded	<u>21.55</u>	
		\$ <u>6,140.94</u>
		\$48,320.15

Respectfully submitted,

June B. Dickinson
District Treasurer

CASH REPORT FOR SOUTHEAST HAMPDEN
WELFARE DISTRICT

Cash balance January 1, 1967	\$ 4,541.37
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Cash received in 1967

January	\$ 2,799.58	
February	2,789.56	
March	6,485.55	
April	399.06	
May	396.36	
June	15,190.50	
July	1,595.63	
August	7,162.18	
September	528.60	
October	583.06	
November	9,337.27	
December	<u>1,052.80</u>	
Total cash received in 1967		\$ <u>48,320.15</u>
		\$52,861.52

Checks drawn in 1967

January	\$ 3,659.38
February	2,564.82
March	3,635.91
April	3,238.38
May	2,575.70
June	4,359.73

July	\$ 3,073.59	
August	3,986.39	
September	3,341.01	
October	3,845.39	
November	4,625.97	
December	<u>4,206.70</u>	
Total checks drawn in 1967		<u>\$43,112.97</u>
Cash balance January 1, 1968		\$ 9,748.55

Respectfully submitted,

June B. Dickinson
District Treasurer

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance, the resurfacing of the Warren Road was continued for an approximate distance of 5,400 feet in a southerly direction. Traffic lines were painted on the Holland Road, Holland=East Brimfield Road, and the Brookfield Road.

Under Chapter 90 Construction (1965) the brush and trees were cut and burned on the first section of the Hollow Road. This section is now ready for the removal of stumps and grading.

Under Chapter 81, the roads were mowed and brush was cut. Roads were re-oiled according to the specifications of the State Engineer. Sections of East Hill and Dix Hill were oiled for the first time.

New Culverts were put in on Five Bridge Road and Little Alum.

Under General Highway, the railroad bridge in West Brimfield was raised by the railroad with the town furnishing the plank.

I would like to extend my thanks to those who have given me their support and cooperation during the past five years as your elected Highway Surveyor.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR'S REPORT 1967

Chapter 90 Construction 1965

Holland-East Brimfield Road

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	\$	22.00
John Stanton		17.20
George Boutwell		14.80
Edward Clarke		14.80
Clerk		5.00
Workmen's Compensation		3.10

Machinery Maintenance	\$ 33.60
Howlett Lumber Co.	32.23
Hampden County Commissioners (reported in 1965)	5.00
Report from 1966 Annual Report	<u>11,573.11</u>
	11,720.84

Hollow Road

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	921.25
John Stanton	180.60
Neil Haley	584.60
Kevin Moore	362.60
Richard Martin	155.40
Clerk	85.00
Workmen's Compensation	99.17
Machinery Maintenance	1,308.90
Robert Martin (Chain Saw)	376.00
Kenneth Sherman	454.40
Harold R. Eastman	<u>22.50</u>
	4,550.42
Balance	3,728.74

Chapter 90 Construction 1966

Hampden County Commissioners	5.00
Balance	19,995.00

Chapter 90 Construction 1967

Hampden County Commissioners	5.00
Balance	19,995.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	235.13
Kevin Moore	158.18
Richard Martin	7.00
Neil Haley	14.80
John Stanton	162.33
Edward Clarke	118.40
George Boutwell	118.40
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	22.50
Workman's Compensation	36.66
Machinery Maintenance	99.45
Hampden County Commissioners	5.00

Springfield Union	\$ 3.57
Dev-a-line	875.00
Skoller Paint	35.75
Palmer Bituminous	5,540.58
Gilman's	66.75
	<u>7,499.90</u>
Balance	.10

Chapter 81

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	2,176.63
John Stanton	1,703.88
Kevin Moore	1,418.96
Robert Hanna	1,344.00
Edward Clarke	564.25
George Boutwell	133.20
Heil Haley	66.60
Richard Martin	37.00
Arthur Morreau	34.23
Elizabeth Wells (clerk)	210.00
Workmen's Compensation	336.54
Machinery Maintenance	5,644.84
Harold Hitchcock	25.50
Franklin Smith	260.00
Poirier Brothers	140.25
John J. Hudson Co.	4,935.96
Henley Lundgren Co.	167.03
Palmer Bituminous	536.58
Lionel Morin	10.00
New England Metal Culvert	349.86
Springfield Union	19.04
Barbara Vaill	45.00
	<u>\$20,159.35</u>
Balance	.65
	<u>\$20,160.00</u>

General Highway

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	2,621.65
John Stanton	1,523.29
Robert Hanna	1,183.00
Kevin Moore	588.31
John Sherman	140.00
Charles Sherman	46.00
Robert Gilman	25.90
Edward Clarke	42.55
Robert Murray	216.00
David Williams	9.25

Walter Burnham	\$ 12.00
Neil Haley	147.08
Richard Martin	99.90
Workmen's Compensation	299.24
Machinery Maintenance	5,274.09
Harold Hitchcock	2,450.00
International Salt Co.	487.13
Chemical Corporation	1,197.46
Broad Hill Lumber Co.	204.00
	<u>16,566.85</u>
Balance	11.11

Machinery Maintenance

Daniel H. Wells, Jr.	272.25
John Stanton	163.40
Robert Hanna	88.00
Kevin Moore	27.75
Richard Martin	7.40
Edward Clarke	12.95
Workmen's Compensation	25.73
Mobil Oil Company	855.67
Atlantic Refining Company	536.08
Brimfield Oil Company	561.13
New England Telephone Company	173.00
Massachusetts Electric Company	165.78
General Machine	59.00
Anderson Engineering	60.50
Howlett Lumber Company	22.04
Haley's Grain Store	97.88
Davis Distributing Company	14.30
Palmer Auto Parts	108.36
Bousquets	50.07
Jake's Crown Service	654.56
D. B. Cotton	47.82
Park Auto Trim	4.50
International Harvester	44.50
Gilman's	177.82
Monson Repair	260.50
Tri-County	883.05
Brimfield Auto Service	269.18
Southbridge Tire	731.18
Tyler	358.97
Paquette Stationery	14.77
Joe's Gas	31.20
Goodhall's	56.66
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	3.00

Lubrication and Filter Supply	\$ 15.92
Newhouse Automotive	217.84
Cement Well and Drain Tile	9.00
Mutual Ford	11.02
Dick's Radiator	25.00
Graves Equipment	418.99
Postage	2.00
Sears Roebuck	9.77
Goldstein and Gurwitz	20.15
Walker Motor	27.59
Braun's Welding Service	31.36
Palmer Journal	6.50
Ernest Roberts	7.50
Sherwin Williams	52.31
William D. Spooner	614.54
Machinery Maintenance	4.00
	<hr/> 8,312.49
Voted out for sand spreader at Special Town Meeting	450.00
Total amount spent	<hr/> 7,862.49

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Fall inspection and creosoting of Gypsy Moth clusters has been completed. The number found was about the same as the previous year, although the size of each cluster would average about twice that of the previous year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. KILLIAN
Moth Superintendent

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
OF THE
TOWN OF BRIMFIELD
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1967

School Committee

	Term Expires
Raymond Roberts, Chairman	1968
Pia Sherman, Secretary	1968
William Whitten, Tantasqua Representative	1970

Superintendent of Schools

Roland W. Wilson

Office Hours – 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Telephone 1-617-347-3077

Principal of Elementary School

Arthur H. Bush

Office Hours – 8:30 a.m.–3:45 p.m.

Telephone 245-3326 School

School Physician

John L. Rigatti, M. D.

Telephone 1-617-347-3634

School Nurse

Mrs. Mary Lou Antonovitch, R.N.

Supervisor of Attendance

Edward E. Sheeran

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Information will be broadcast over station WARE and WESO between 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 A.M.

NO SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Tantasqua Regional High School, by decision of the Tantasqua School Committee, will be open on all regular school days, regardless of the weather, unless some emergency develops at the school itself, or when the superintendent announces there will be no school.

Transportation of pupils is provided both to the elementary school and the high school by the school committee of each town's elementary school. The decision as to whether it is safe or feasible for buses to run to the high school is made by the superintendent of schools.

ENTERING AGE OF PUPILS

Six years of age on or before the first of January following the opening of school in September.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Last Monday of each month throughout year at 7:30 P.M. at the Elementary School.

TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND UNION #61
1968-69 SCHOOL CALENDAR

<u>September</u>					<u>October</u>					<u>November</u>				
	4	5	6		1	2	3	4						-
9	10	11	12	13	7	8	9	10	11	4	5	6	7	8
16	17	18	19	20	14	15	16	17	18	--	12	13	14	15
23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	18	19	20	21	22
30					28	29	30	31		25	26	27		

<u>December</u>					<u>January</u>					<u>February</u>				
2	3	4	5	6				2	3	3	4	5	6	7
9	10	11	12	13	6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13	14
16	17	18	19	20	13	14	15	16	17	--	--	--	--	--
					20	21	22	23	24	24	25	26	27	28
					27	28	29	30	21					

<u>March</u>					<u>April</u>					<u>May</u>				
3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	--				1	2	
10	11	12	13	14	7	8	9	10	11	5	6	7	8	9
17	18	19	20	21	--	--	--	--	--	12	13	14	15	16
24	25	26	27	28	21	22	23	24	25	19	20	21	22	23
31					28	29	30			26	27	28	29	--

<u>June</u>				
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20

September 3	Opening Workshop & Preparation
September 4	First full day for pupils
May 29	Last day of classes for Seniors
June 1	Baccalaureate
June 8	Graduation

1st Quarter	Sept. 3 - Nov. 8	Report cards	11-15	47 days
2nd Quarter	Nov. 12 - Jan. 17	" "	1-24	39 days
3rd Quarter	Jan. 20 - Mar. 28	" "	4-3	45 days
4th Quarter	Mar. 31 - June 20	" "		<u>53 days</u>
Total				184 days

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1967

<u>Distribution of Minors</u>	<u>5 yrs or over and under 7</u>	<u>7 yrs or over and under 21</u>
Boys	36	257
Girls	<u>51</u>	<u>184</u>
Total	87	441

Distribution of Minors:

In Public/day school membership	51	398
In Vocational school membership	--	3
In private school membership	14	9
In State and County institutions and special schools	1	6
Not enrolled in any day school	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>
Total	87	441

Elementary School Enrollment as of October 1, 1967

Grade 1	52
Grade 2	29
Grade 3	31
Grade 4	49
Grade 5	33
Grade 6	<u>43</u>
Total	237

Pupils attending Tantasqua 200

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT

On July 7, 1967 your School Committee accepted, with regret the resignation of Robert A. Watson.

Roland W. Wilson, a graduate of Worcester State B. S. and Master of Education degree from the University of Conn., and from our local area, was unanimously appointed Superintendent of School Union No. 61 on July 7, 1967.

Due to lack of space in the Elementary School Building, it was necessary to house the third grade under Mrs. McDonald, in the under-church of St. Christopher's Church for the school year.

Our school custodian, Edward Sheeran has been ill since September 1. Our wishes are for his speedy recovery. Ed has been greatly missed by faculty, committee and students.

During this school year several classrooms and stairwells have been painted. We have also replaced floor tile where needed. Much has been done and more will be done with time. We thank Mr. Wilson, Mr. Bush and the entire staff who have helped to maintain and improve our Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND R. ROBERTS,
Chairman

WILLIAM F. WHITTEN
PIA E. SHERMAN, Secretary

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

I hereby submit the annual report for 1967.

The year 1967 is now history and the time has come to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year. It is also a time to consider our shortcomings. The year 1967 has been a fruitful one for the schools of Union 61 and Tantasqua Regional High School. Another class has departed to meet the ever more competitive world.

Many curriculum changes have occurred in our schools during the past year which lend witness to the awareness of our staff that education is constantly changing. New programs which up-date our curriculum come forth requiring careful consideration and evaluation.

The Social Studies curriculum in our elementary schools has been improved as a result of in-service training conducted by Dr. Ambrose A. Clegg, Jr. of the University of Massachusetts. As a result, the Greater Cleveland Social Studies Program has been adopted in most of the elementary schools of Union 61 in Grades 1-3. We are presently conducting an in-service program in Social Studies for teachers in Grades 4, 5 and 6. Dr. Barnes Reznick of Old Sturbridge Village, Dr. Henry Warman of Clark University and Dr. Maurice Kaufman of Northeastern University are guest lecturers for this series.

A pilot program in reading is being conducted at the Burgess Elementary School in Grades 1 and 2. This program is the Sullivan Reading Series, a programmed reading program which allows students to move forward at their own pace. In its first year of operation it has shown very significant and positive results and merits further development.

At Tantasqua High School, an in-service program in linguistics was conducted by Mr. Robert VanHaagen to assist our English Department with the new linguistics program now being used in Grade 7. We hope that we may have an ungraded English program in Grades 9-12 by September 1968. This program is a result of several years of planning. Meetings have been held for the past two years with Dr. Mosher of the English Department of the University of Massachusetts to prepare teachers for this new program. Courses are now being prepared for the September 1968 target date.

Federal Funds

During the past year several Federal Projects have been written and approved.

Under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, (ESEA) the elementary schools received \$33,024 for the Improvement of Reading Project which has provided personnel and supplies for the improvement of reading in all schools in Union 61.

Under Title II of ESEA, the elementary schools received \$2,100 as part of the five year plan written in 1965 by Mrs. Marjorie Campbell, retired Tantasqua librarian. The first year Tantasqua Regional High School received the total amount; last year the elementary schools received the total amount. This coming year the total amount of about \$6,000 will be divided between the elementary schools and the high school.

Title III of NDEA Act provided us with \$6,000 during the past year.

Under Title III of ESEA, two major projects were submitted. One in elementary Social Studies. The other, the SWELL Project (Southern Worcester County Effective Learning Laboratory) in Cooperation with 10 area towns. This project is a request for over \$500,000 in federal funds.

Title V of NDEA had provided us with \$6,000 to improve our guidance program. These funds are allocated to schools meeting the criteria set up by the state for guidance funds.

We hope to continue to make maximum use of federal funds in 1968 to improve the quality of our program.

Looking ahead, the year 1968 brings with it a pressing need for space in many of the schools of the district. The Brimfield Elementary School Committee is renting space from the St. Christopher's Church to meet its need for classroom space. Additional space is needed for kindergarten classes to be required, which must be in operation before 1973.

Wales Elementary School needs one kindergarten room immediately and needs room for future growth as all rooms

are being used in their new elementary school completed in 1963.

Sturbridge is growing steadily and rapidly and needs approximately six classrooms now. An immediate building program is mandatory to meet a population increase which sees no end. The gymnasium now used for two kindergarten groups must be returned to its intended use to meet the new state law which requires 90 minutes of physical education per week for all elementary students. Additional classrooms are needed to provide space for increased enrollment. Present enrollment is 647 with optimum capacity of 570 dictating a need for immediate consideration of a building program.

Brookfield has a need for expansion to accommodate a very large class in Grade 2 and a split class in Grade 4. In addition, provision must be made for required kindergarten classes. The Town Hall banquet room has been investigated but would be approved on a temporary basis only. Space is at a premium. Any increase in enrollment could require additional rooms.

Holland has no immediate building need unless a school library room is required by state law. Each room in the school is now used. If Holland continues to grow, two sections per grade may become a reality which would require additional construction.

Together with the needs in the elementary schools of the region, we must recognize the effect of the burgeoning secondary school population. Tantasqua Regional High School built for 1050 students, had 1155 students registered as of October first. As one attempts to evaluate the high school facilities, it is clear that space is already at a premium. The present scheduling efficiency of 91% exceeds the standard 80% which is considered optimum for a secondary school. It seems apparent that some solution to this problem must be considered very soon if we are to provide quality education for our growing secondary school population.

What is the solution? The answer seems to be a school which will meet both elementary and secondary school needs with one piece of construction. Building in each individual town while desirable for some would be more costly and would not receive state approval or assistance. The rising cost of erecting buildings seems to demand that

we be as efficient as possible in our building program .

This efficiency defies any individual building program which duplicates fees and expenses unnecessarily. Efficiency also demands a building program which improves our educational program and provides the type of facility which fosters and supports innovations in curriculum.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the School Committees and citizens of the district for their support of our schools during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROLAND W. WILSON
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I herewith submit my fifth annual report as principal of Brimfield Elementary School.

On opening day in September the elementary school enrollment was as follows:

Grade 1	52
Grade 2	29
Grade 3	31
Grade 4	48
Grade 5	34
Grade 6	41

It was necessary this year to place one grade outside of the elementary school due to lack of space. Father Ferguson of St. Christopher's Parish was very kind and understanding in allowing us to place our third grade class, under the supervision of Mrs. McDonald, in the church basement.

A considerable amount of work has been done on the school plant since last summer. New tiling has been done to some of the halls; and three classrooms have been painted which is the first phase of a "new look" at the school.

This year we have been able to add to our library collection with the help of a Title II library grant funded by the government for library books and materials. Although it is in a very early stage, our central library is showing signs of growth. It seems certain now that a good central Instructional Media Center is one of the most important facets of a good elementary school program. Thus more space is needed.

With more mandates from the Department of Education pertaining to a physical education program in elementary schools throughout the Commonwealth, it is necessary that more space is needed for a sound physical education program at Brimfield.

I would like to thank you Mr. Wilson; the school committee; teachers; and parents for their cooperation during the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. BUSH
Principal

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Roland Wilson
Superintendent of Schools
Union #61
Sturbridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Wilson:

This is my second annual report as art teacher for the towns of Brookfield, Brimfield, and Wales. I believe it an essential part of the school curriculum that every student be given the opportunity to explore his own creative abilities. My duty is to introduce various media and techniques to the student, that he may use these as channels to a better understanding and appreciation of himself, his neighbor, and his surroundings.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY ELLEN DOWNEY
Art Supervisor

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

As Music Supervisor of Brimfield, Brookfield and Wales, I am attempting a new approach to teaching music. I started out the year presenting a questionnaire to each of my classes to determine their musical ability. I asked the children themselves to help me decide on the music program for the year, and was very surprised at the good ideas which many of the children had.

In my music classes, the children are allowed to use their imaginations. My aim this year is just to get the children to enjoy music, with hopes that they'll eventually discover that they need music. We have done a lot of art work with music, and with this I have obtained good results.

I did "Peter and the Wolf" with Grades one, two and three, and Grade three responded exceptionally well, so I had them perform it for their school. The children's costumes were very creative.

In Grades four, five and six we have studied the instruments of the orchestra, folk, country, and western music, conducting and a musical.

I had all six grades do something which I thought was different and quite exciting. I drew several musical symbols on the board and had the children use their imaginations and draw pictures just using musical symbols. The purpose of this lesson was to familiarize the children with music notation and to teach them how to draw these symbols. I got fantastic results!

We have done a lot of singing in all grades. I encourage the children to act out the words they sing. I plan to do much more with singing the rest of the school year.

My biggest project was the Christmas program. Every class was in the program because I felt that it was important for every child to participate. Grades one, two and three each sang a song with the characters in each song portrayed. Grades four, five and six were included in one big program: Each class chose a country to work on. We took our audience to several different countries to see how Christmas was celebrated and sang Christmas carols from each country. Some classes also did a skit from their country. The help from both parents and teach-

ers in making costumes is greatly appreciated. I was very pleased with the results and I felt a great deal of satisfaction from seeing my own students perform.

Respectfully submitted,

HOPE C. NOAR
Music Supervisor

REPORT OF REMEDIAL READING TEACHER

Dear Mr. Wilson:

As remedial reading teacher in Brimfield, I am working with children in grades 1 through 4 who are not up to grade level in reading.

Mr. Bush and I feel that preventive help is as important as remedial and we are trying some new materials in grade 1.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION MALONEY
Remedial Reading Teacher

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

In order for children to perform according to their intellectual potential in school or elsewhere, conscious effort must be made in the area of physical health. There are no substitutes for proper nutritional health and good sleeping habits. Children who have not had these habits established in their pre-school years are most apt to develop learning problems once they start school.

Proper diet is necessary for growth and repair of tissues as well as energy. "Junk foods" such as soda, potato chips, candy etc. contribute little to a balanced diet except calories and short term energy.

It is a rare child who can really perform well up to the age of 10 or 12 without 9 or 10 hours of sleep every night.

Good health habits also include proper and frequent bathing and changing of clothes. Hands should be washed several times a day, and teeth should be brushed at least twice a day.

In December 1967 a state law was signed into effect requiring all children entering public school to be immunized against the following diseases: Smallpox, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough, Measles and Polio. Parents must present doctor's certificates that these immunizations have been or are in the process of being given when a child is registered for school. This law covers all children already in school up to the 8th grade.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOU ANTONOVITCH
School Nurse

SUMMARY OF DENTAL INSPECTIONS
BRIMFIELD
October 1967

<u>Grades</u>	<u>No. of Cases Inspected</u>	<u>Per Cent of Children Showing History of Tooth Decay</u>		<u>*Dental Classification</u>			
		<u>Permanent Dentition</u>	<u>Deciduuous Dentition</u>	<u>Permanent</u>	<u>#1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#3</u> <u>#4</u> <u>Per Cent In Need Of Care</u>
I	52	6%	62%		94%	6%	6%
II	29	27%	72%		79%	17%	21%
III	27	63%	89%		70%	30%	30%
IV	46	82%			43%	52%	57%
V	34	76%			56%	41%	44%
VI	37	89%			51%	38%	49%
Total	225						

	<u>*Dental Classification</u>				<u>In Need Of Care</u>	
	<u>Deciduuous</u>	<u>#1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#3</u> <u>#4</u>		
I		52%	38%	10%		48%
II		48%	31%	21%		52%
III		45%	48%	7%		55%

*Dental Classification

- #1. Apparently needing no dental treatment related to type of classification.
#2. Requiring treatment but not urgent.
#3. Requiring early treatment.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL ADJUSTMENT COUNSELOR

It is the responsibility of the School Adjustment Counselor to provide these services which assist maladjusted, emotionally disturbed children during their earliest school years to avoid serious underachievement and behavior disorders during later years. Consequently, this program deals with these children, kindergarten through grade six, their families and appropriate social agencies in an attempt to help them make normal progress in school, and to allow them to effectively utilize the resources of the school according to their own abilities. Children are reached in their developing years when we have access to all of them and when we are in a position to have the greatest influence on their future development.

The philosophy of the School Adjustment Counselor program is based upon some basic concepts: First, it is the conviction that delinquency prevention programs should be based upon the foundations of the most valid available sociological research. Drs. Eleanor and Sheldon Glueck, for example, have shown in their studies that it is possible to discover delinquency proneness early in the school life of the child. It is in these early school years that programs to prevent delinquency are most effective, before the child's poor social and emotional adjustments become fixed as character traits.

Another basic concept is the fundamental belief that the home is the basic unit of society, the most constructive or destructive influence upon the child's total adjustment to life. We believe that the bond between the home and the school should be strengthened.

Next, is the belief that education in a democratic society is not limited to the imparting of knowledge alone, but rather dedicated to the total development of the child: mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally. It is in the school, therefore, that we can expect the greatest amount of help for these children who have emotional conflicts, are maladjusted, neurotic, or are otherwise potentially delinquent. For it is the school which gives the child his first opportunity to conform to regulations outside the home, to adjust to the social and emotional demands of others, both as individuals and as a group. It is in the school that he learns to accept authority other than that of parents, to get along with others, to

share, to compete with others, to win and even to fail.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNESTINE McEACHERN
Adjustment Counselor

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF			Yrs. Serv. Brimfield		Total Yrs. Service	
Position	Name					
<u>Administration</u>						
<u>Superintendent</u>	Roland W. Wilson	BS, MA, Worcester State College	0		17	
Business Manager	Timothy J. Denning	BBA Western New England College	2		2	
<u>Elementary School</u>						
Principal	Arthur H. Bush	BC. Boston College Ed.M. Bridgewater State College	4		9	
Grade 1	Frances Souliere	College of Our Lady of Elms	9		12	
Grade 1	Joyce Lancaster	Georgia State College	1		1	
Grade 2	Mary Moore	Westfield State College	5		5	
Grade 3	Mary McDonald	Westfield State College	5		20	
Grade 4	Jeanne Page	Bridgewater State College	2		12	
Grade 4	Florence Gendreau	Gorham St. Normal School	14		18	
Grade 5	Nancy Hoerle	B.A. Mount Holyoke College	0		0	
Grade 6	Susan Smith	B.A. Univ. of Connecticut	4		4	
Grade 6	Dominec Gigante	B.A. American International College	2		2	
Art	Mary Downey	Mercyhurst College	1		4	
Music	Hope Noar	B. Music Ed. University of Hartford	0		0	
Remedial Reading	Mary Maloney	B. S. Westfield State College	18		0	
Adjustment Counsellor	Ernestine McEachern	Miss. State College for Women University of Southern Miss.	1		9	
Janitors	Edward Sheeran and	Alexander McVeigh				

FINANCIAL SHEET FOR 1967

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$141,316.08
REFUNDS	<u>261.50</u>
	141,577.58

EXPENDITURES:

ADMINISTRATION

School Committee	\$ 447.72
Superintendent's Office	4,020.08

INSTRUCTION

Principal's Office	8,182.32
Teachers' Salaries	61,107.80
Supplies & Materials	2,145.67
Personnel Training	169.76
Special Education -Tuition	1,192.50
Travel - Art, Music	180.00
Textbooks	1,854.63
Library Service	106.05
Audio-Visual	545.05
Guidance	188.50
Psychological Services	280.00

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

Adjustment Counsellor	1,720.18
Attendance Officer	83.36
Health Services	
Salaries	1,139.00
Supplies	6.90
Travel	40.00
Transportation	33,801.49
Field Trips	85.00
Student Body Activities	50.00
School Lunch Services	40.00

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Custodial Services	
Salaries	7,560.05
Supplies & Materials	856.81
Services - Admin.Office	43.92
Heating - Fuel	1,285.56
Utilities	
School	1,441.20
Administ.Office	132.87
Maintenance of Grounds	405.00
Maintenance of Buildings	3,892.80
Contracted Services -	
Admin. Office	19.39

FIXED CHARGES

Insurance & Rent	
Admin. Office	\$ 232.17
Rent - St.Christopher's Church	400.00

ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

Capital Outlay	
School	2,787.75
Admin. Office	27.66
Library	439.30
N.D.E.A. Title III	21.19

PROGRAMS WITH OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS & PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Vocational	
Tuition & Transportation	4,568.89

TOTAL EXPENDED \$141,500.57

UNEXPENDED BALANCE 77.01

REIMBURSEMENTS

General School Fund	
Chapter 70	\$ 34,755.91
Transportation	25,233.00
State Wards-Tuition & Transportation	788.46
Special Education	564.00
Vocational Transportation	991.00
N D E A	178.21
Total Reimbursements	62,510.58

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 141,500.57

LESS TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS 62,510.58

COST TO TAXPAYERS \$ 78,989.99

SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1968

Administration	\$ 4,980.29
Instruction	94,273.00
Other School Services	40,858.00
Operation & Maintenance of Plant & Equipment	17,810.93
Fixed Charges	1,235.88
Community Services	565.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	2,530.50
Programs with other Schools	4,500.00
TOTAL	\$166,753.60

THIRD INTERIM REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Your present committee met December 19, 1967. Harold E. Hitchcock was elected chairman.

Mr. Wilson, Superintendent of Schools, met with the committee and presented several proposals and alternates to the committee.

On January 3, 1968, the committee representatives traveled to Boston and met with Mr. Simeon Domas of the School Building Assistance Commission. Several approaches to our building problem were discussed. Many solutions were also discussed.

In the light of the very complex building problem and the very substantial expense involved, the committee felt that further intensive study was necessary before submitting a final report and recommendations.

We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Wilson, Superintendent of Schools, for meeting with us to give us information concerning the school building problem.

Harold E. Hitchcock,
Chairman

Ernest G. Roberts

Frank J. Hall

William F. Whitten

Richard C. Allen,
Secretary

REPORT OF THE BRIMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Brimfield Public Library has had a busy and satisfying year, and has made every effort to offer adequate service to the entire community. During 1967, 3730 persons came to the Library to browse, use reference materials and take out books. Of these, 1817 were adults and 1913 juveniles. We loaned 8697 titles, of which 5091 were adult and 3606 juvenile. Included were 250 books sent to the Elementary School.

The Brimfield Library continues to be affiliated with the Central Massachusetts Regional Library system at Worcester, through which books may be borrowed for individual needs -- 111 specific titles being borrowed this year. In addition, their Bookmobile comes to Brimfield every six weeks, at which time the Librarian may select any number of books to be added to our permanent collection -- 142 books having been added this year. This latter service has enabled your Library to supplement the adult collection and to make our children's collection an especially good one.

Films also may be borrowed from the same service -- 18 being used by Church and other groups this past year.

All Elementary School classes have visited the Library twice this year. Younger children come to take out library cards, listen to a story and take books. There were 14 classes with 315 pupils who visited this year. The sixth grade has been given basic instruction in the use of the card catalog with the opportunity for practice in finding their own books. This is of great assistance in finding material to supplement their class work. Mr. Giganti's sixth grade has been coming regularly every two weeks this fall to borrow books both for reading pleasure and reference work, and to use reference books in connection with various school projects.

Many fine books have been given to the Library as memorials this year. The Garden Club made its annual gift

at Christmas time of a beautiful wreath for the front door.

The Sherman Memorial Room has been improved during the past year by the addition of glass doors with locks to several of the book cases, so that they may be used for display and storage of valuable materials without danger of loss. The first use of these cases was for a collection of historical materials having to do with the Brimfield Grange, arranged by Mrs. William Spooner, in observance of the hundredth anniversary of the Grange as a national organization. Also on display is a rare collection of English Royal Coronation china loaned by Mrs. Robert Streeter. The collection begins with pieces commemorating Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee and continues to the coronation of the present Queen Elizabeth II. In one of the smaller cases Mrs. Streeter has arranged an interesting collection of old-time children's books.

The genealogical reference material in the Sherman Room has been used recently by a woman from Delaware who spent a week looking up family records, and two visitors from New York State, who spent three days searching for old deeds of ancestral homes in Brimfield.

The Brown-Corbin picture collection is in constant use, especially by children. One picture from the collection is receiving national distribution. It is of several Brimfield men loading ice onto horse-drawn wagons at Mill Pond. This picture appears as an illustration in a recently published book on New England in the Time-Life Library of America. A complimentary copy of this volume was sent to the Library and is now available.

The Library is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2:00-5:30 and 7:00-9:00 P.M. and on Thursdays from 1:30-5:30 P.M. The Library telephone number is 245-3518 and we urge you to use the telephone for reference questions or to renew books. May we remind you that there is a "book drop box" at the front door where you may return books when the Library is closed. You are urged to use all the services this, your Library, offers.

The Librarian is most grateful to the Library Trustees for their help and understanding. Too often the part they play in effective Library administration is unrecognized.

It is with real regret that I submitted my resignation as Librarian to the Board of Selectmen. This was made nec-

essary because of ill health. I have been your Librarian for nine happy years. I am deeply indebted to Mrs. Richard Brown for her efficient help during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ROBERT STREETER
Librarian

SPECIAL REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

It was with deep regret that we were obliged to accept the resignation of our beloved librarian, Mrs. Robert Streeter. After nine years of devoted service, she found it necessary to resign as of January 1, 1968, because of ill health. During those years, she gave sympathetic understanding and unstinted assistance from her broad knowledge to all with whom she came in contact - and especially devoted her energy to building in the children a love of reading.

Mrs. Streeter has generously volunteered her services to the town for the cataloguing of and caring for the very valuable historical material in the Sherman Room. The Board of Trustees has accepted her offer, and are very grateful for this generous assistance.

Mrs. Violet Loux resigned in September, 1967 because of a physical disability, having been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1955. The Board accepted her resignation with regret, for she has been a very faithful and active participant in all the affairs of the library, - especially as a member of the book committee.

The Town and the Library Board of Trustees suffered a great loss in the death of Robert Bruce on September 6, 1967. He had been a trustee since 1948, - acting as chairman in 1951, - as a member of the book committee for many years, and as a member of the building committee for the Sherman Room. His ready wit, steadfast advice, and staunch loyalty are sadly missed.

Library Board of Trustees,

Lester Parker, Chairman
Roger Bennett
John Curtis

Bertha Osterheld
Ethel Spooner
Olive Weston

TRI-TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Board of Selectmen
Brimfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

After appointment by the Selectmen last spring we met several times with members of the Recreation Committees of Wales and Holland to discuss a Tri-town Recreation Committee.

Under the Water Safety Program, Red Cross Certificates for swimming were issued for 94 children after 5 sessions. Junior and Senior Life Saving Certificates were granted to 8 following a two-week evening course. The swim program is open to children who are entering 1st grade in the coming year or who are 6 years old. Life Saving Certificates may be issued to candidates who are over 12 for Juniors and over 16 for Seniors.

We also formed a softball team last summer for Brimfield, Holland, Wales and Warren. We had a 15 girl squad which was a joy to work with. This was a group which improved noticeably from week to week, and despite the fact that we lost most of our games, their enthusiasm remained at a high level. Girls who are entering 7th grade are eligible to try out.

In the coming year we hope to enlarge our summer recreation program, but this will depend in a large part upon the voluntary help we receive from parents and other persons interested in working with and helping young people. We welcome any suggestions that come to us as well as offers of help.

We would like to thank all the parents who helped in many ways last year in both our programs, but most especially we appreciate the time and personal efforts made by the following during our softball season: Mrs. Gerald Guild, Mrs. Edward Langevin, Mr. Roger Lamb and Mr. Eugene Roberts.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE H. DUTKA, Chairman
JEAN A McGANN
THEODORE S. CLOSSON

REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth-Chapter 128 - The Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations or otherwise in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living and better community service and have been ably assisted by hundreds of local volunteer leaders to this end.

A total expense of \$23.23 was incurred during the year for either travel or purchase of material needed in carrying on the various projects by the local leaders. The appropriation made by your town was used for only residents of the town.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1967 Appropriation	<u>\$ none</u>
1966 Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 96.58</u>
Total Available for 1967	<u>\$ 96.58</u>
Total Expenditures in 1967	<u>\$ 23.23</u>
Total Available for 1968	<u>\$ 73.35</u>
Recommended Appropriation for 1968	<u>\$ 25.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Trustees for County Aid to
Agriculture
ALBERT H. FULLER, Clerk

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Brimfield:

For the year 1967 we requested and were granted an appropriation of \$1200.00. Of this amount, \$1150.98 was actually spent. This expenditure included the resurfacing of drives, removal of two large diseased elm trees and grave openings. This last item amounted to \$815.00, all of which was returned to the Town Treasury. The general maintenance which, for the most part, was for mowing and clipping was taken from the income from perpetual care funds and amounted to approximately \$1200.00. It is our intent to continue this practice in 1968.

For the coming year, we request an appropriation of \$1600.00 which is based on the following estimated costs:

Survey portion of existing cemetery lots not presently bounded	\$200.00
Survey and bound new area (so-called Fogg lot) not presently bounded	200.00
Extend water distribution line and install three additional outlets	300.00
Machinery maintenance and repair	100.00
Grave openings and foundation work (returnable to Treasury)	<u>800.00</u>
	\$1600.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHENEY F. NEWTON,
Chairman
JAMES A. ADAMS
EVERETT D. LANDEN

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The Town Memorial Day Committee appreciates the cooperation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for participating in the Memorial Day Parade. A flag is placed on the grave of each veteran in the cemetery by the American Legion the day preceding Memorial Day. The geraniums are placed on the veterans' graves Memorial Day by the children.

We wish to thank the speaker Rev. Father Ferguson and the Elementary School for the program. The music was furnished by the Westfield Drum and Bugle Corp and the bugler service was by Mark Denning and John Sherris.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT BRUCE
MARGARET GILMAN
ALBERT GENDREAU
FLORENCE GENDREAU



Memorial Day Parade

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met soon after Town meeting and organized with

Merrill Spear, Chairman
Eugene Roberts, Vice-Chairman
William D. Spooner, Secretary

Harold E. Hitchcock was elected as our representative on the School Building Committee. William Cruess replaced Scott Gerrish, who resigned during the year.

Your committee has tried to cooperate with the various town departments, and we wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation received in return.

A few transfers were required from the Reserve Fund during the year, but on the whole we feel that the various departments have done quite well in anticipating their needs.

The amounts transferred during the year were:

\$	10.38	for the Common
	350.00	for the Grounds at the Town Barn
	59.70	for property insurance
	10.20	for Memorial Day Committee
	50.00	for the Recreation Program
	140.00	for the Fire Department
	483.00	for the Garage Maintenance
		Account
	533.00	for the Veterans' Benefits
		Account
	1,500.00	for the General Highways
		Account
	77.96	for General Highways for
		unpaid labor
	575.00	for the School Building
		Committee
	117.23	for Street Lighting

The detail with which most of the departments listed their requests for the ensuing year made it possible for us to decide on recommendations in a limited time. In going over the budget there are a few points which could be made to explain the difference in the requirements needed. The Town Counsel request has been broadened to include legal

fees which have become necessary.

The request for Insect Pest Control has been enlarged by a law which spells out that requirement.

The Public Assistance Account has been divided because of the fact that the State may take over this operation during the year.

In going over the Warrant considerable discussion was held on several items. As the present loader seems to have gone past its economical usage, we decided that in our opinion it would be best for the Town to purchase a new one to be paid for over a period of time out of the Machinery Account.

In considering the constant increase in the cost of street lighting, we favored the enactment of item 18, but opposed articles 19, 20 and 21.

In considering the request for the purchase of a new Fire Truck, considerable thought was given to the various phases of the problem. Our "New" fire truck is now ten years old. The 1942 Ford truck is now twenty-six years old and reliably reported in such bad mechanical condition that it would require more than its value to put it into reliable shape for operation. It was therefore considered to be expedient to procure a new one now, before it might become necessary to purchase two trucks at one time. As a committee in charge of purchasing a new fire truck, we recommended a committee of five, consisting of the Fire Chief, two from the Selectmen, and two from the Finance Committee.

In considering the article for assistance in the snow removal on private roads, a majority of the committee decided not to favor this as it might lead to more and more requests along this line.

A majority of the committee favored the closing of the town dump except during specified times because the present situation lends itself to the bringing in of unacceptable items from out of town.

As in previous years, we wish to express our thanks for the cooperation of the various town departments and to warn the taxpayers that, with the great increase in the

school budgets , which is so nearly out of our control , taxes are bound to be much higher in 1968 , and that any further increases will make those bills just that much higher.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE

Merrill Spear, Chairman

Eugene Roberts, Vice-Chairman

William D. Spooner, Secretary

David L. Cheney

William Cruess

Noah D. Fountain

Harold E. Hitchcock

Arthur E. Kenyon

Leo E. Lavigne

BUDGET FOR 1968

	<u>Appro. 1967</u>	<u>Expended 1967</u>	<u>Req. 1968</u>	<u>Fin. Com. Rec. 1968</u>
Moderator -----	\$ 70.00	\$ 64.25	\$	\$ 70.00
Selectmen -----	2,700.00	2,619.84	2,950.00	2,900.00
Town Accountant -----	1,350.00	1,265.78	1,350.00	1,350.00
Treasurer -----	1,135.00	1,134.30	1,348.00	1,248.00
Tax Collector -----	1,357.50	1,357.06	1,357.00	1,357.00
Assessors -----	1,794.00	1,733.71	1,800.00	1,800.00
Town Clerk -----	600.00	588.08	625.00	625.00
Finance Committee -----	75.00	45.00	75.00	75.00
Town Counsel & Legal Fees ---	200.00	200.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Planning Board -----	300.00	-	300.00	300.00
Election & Registration -----	525.00	505.24	1,175.00	1,175.00
Town Hall -----	3,100.00	2,185.67	2,600.00	2,600.00
Police -----	600.00	600.00	700.00	700.00
Fire Dept. -----	4,160.50)			
Res. Fd. -----	140.00)	4,060.01	6,115.00	4,585.00
Tree Warden -----	500.00	432.77	500.00	500.00
Insect Pest Control -----	220.00	220.00	785.71	785.71
Civil Defense -----	-	100.00	-	-
General Health & Care of Dump -	2,200.00	1,264.27	-	2,200.00
General Highways-----	15,000.00)			
Res. Fd. -----	1,577.96)	16,566.85	15,000.00	15,000.00
Chapter 81 -----	2,560.00)			
St. & Cty. -----	17,600.00)	20,159.35	2,560.00	2,560.00

Chapter 90, Main. -----	\$ 2,500.00)				
St. & Cty. -----	5,000.00)			\$ 7,499.90	\$ 3,500.00
Chapter 90, Const. -----	5,000.00			5.00	5,500.00
Street Lighting -----	2,482.00)			2,599.23	2,502.00
Res.Fd. -----	117.23)				
Public Assistance -----	30,500.00			52,922.02	13,750.00
S.E.Hampden Welf.Dis. -----	958.00			958.00	168.75
Veterans' Benefits -----	1,000.00)				
Res. Fd. -----	533.00)			1,512.45	1,000.00
School, Elementary -----	141,316.08)				
Tantasqua Reg.H.S. -----	173,324.39			141,500.57	166,753.60
Library -----	3,600.00)			173,324.39	185,158.04
State Aid -----	500.00)				
Dog Fund -----	)			4,958.96	3,760.00
Common -----	400.00)				3,760.00
Res. Fd. -----	10.38			410.38	400.00
Property Insurance -----	2,000.00)				
Res. Fd. -----	59.70)			2,059.70	2,700.00
Workmen's Compensation -----	1,098.93			1,098.93	1,123.00
Town Reports -----	780.00			780.00	950.00
Memorial Day -----	280.00)				
Res. Fd. -----	10.20)			290.20	300.00
Aid to Agriculture -----	-			-	25.00
County Retirement -----	1,715.00			1,715.00	2,149.00
Annuities -----	150.00			150.00	150.00
Cemeteries -----	1,200.00			1,166.33	1,600.00
Interest -----	3,000.00			2,151.63	3,000.00
Certifying Notes -----	20.00			10.00	20.00
Reserve Fund -----	7,500.00			3,906.47	7,500.00

TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

To the Town Clerk of Brimfield, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Brimfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Brimfield on Monday, the FOURTH day of MARCH, 1968, at twelve (12) o'clock noon, to act on the following:

Article 1. To give in their votes to the election officers on one ballot for the following town officers: A Moderator for one year; three Selectmen for one year each; one Assessor for three years; one member of the Elementary School Committee for three years; one member of the Elementary School Committee for one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of the Board of Public Health for three years; one member of the Cemetery Commission for three years; two Library Trustees for three years each; one Library Trustee for two years; one Library Trustee for one year; one Tree Warden for one year; one Harriet Harding Fund Trustee for three years; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Planning Board for two years; one member of the Lincoln Library Fund Trustees for three years; and five constables for three years each; also to vote "Yes" or "no" on any questions which may appear on said ballot.

The polls will open at twelve (12) o'clock noon and will close at eight (8) o'clock in the evening. All business of said meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined by ballot shall be considered after 8:00 P.M.

Article 2. To hear reports of officers and agents heretofore chosen by the Town and act thereon.

Article 3. To see what salaries the Town will allow its officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Compensation Insurance Fund, together with a sum of money to be raised by taxation to purchase compensation insurance for town employees.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1966, which amends section 69 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, whereby the terms laborer, workmen and mechanics as used in the Workmen's Compensation Act may include such elected or appointed officers of a town, except Selectmen, as the Board of Selectmen may, from time to time, designate.

Article 6. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1968, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursements of allotments made by the State and County for Highways, including bridges.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale, by posting such notice in some convenient public place of the Town, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town upon Tax Title Procedure, provided that the Selectmen, or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Civil Defense, to be administered by the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$3500.00) for maintenance under

Chapter 90 to be used with the sums allotted by the State and County for the purpose.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (\$5500.00) for Chapter 90 Construction to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State and County, or both, for the purpose.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the maintenance and care of Town Machinery for the coming year.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a loader for the use of the highway department, or take any other action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell upon sealed bid, or to trade-in, the Michigan loader, whichever method of disposal is in the best interests of the Town.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept approximately 600 feet of new construction on the Dunhamtown-Palmer Road.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to abandon approximately 600 feet of the Dunhamtown-Palmer Road which has been replaced by new construction.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to improve existing street lighting on Church Street and Brookfield Rd. at Route 20 intersection by removing the existing 1000-lumen lamp and installing 1 7000-lumen MV lamp in front of the Hitchcock Academy Parking Lot, and the removal of the 1000-lumen lamp on Pole #1 on the Brookfield Rd., and the installation of a 7000-lumen MV lamp in its place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to improve existing street lighting on Route 20 between St. Christopher's Church and the Wales Road by removing 1 1000-lumen and 4 2500-lumen old incandescent street lights, and installing 2 7000-lumen MV lamps and 3 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 at Holland Rd. by removing 1 1000-lumen old incandescent lamp and installing 1 7000-lumen MV lamp in its place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to improve the existing street lighting on Route 20 between St. Christopher's Church and the Holland Rd. by removing 4 1000-lumen old incandescent street lights, and installing 1-7000 lumen MV lamp and 3 3500-lumen MV lamps in their place, or take any other action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a new Fire Truck or take any other action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell upon sealed bid, or to trade-in, the 1942 Ford Fire Truck, whichever method of disposal is in the best interests of the town.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance and care of the Town Barn and Fire Station Building or take any other action thereon.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting the entry hall, selectmen's waiting room, town clerk's office, stairway and so-called Grange Hall, of the Town Hall, or take any other action thereon.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Sec. 42.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept an amendment to Section I-b-2 of the Agreement for Regional School District for the Five Towns of Brimfield, Brookfield, Holland, Sturbridge and Wales, to provide for immediate representation when a Town's school enrollment entitles such representation in accordance with Section Ia, by appointment by the Board of Selectmen of the Town until the next annual meeting at which time a representative shall be elected for three years.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept an amendment to Section 2 of the Agreement for Regional School District for the Five Towns of Brimfield, Brookfield, Holland, Sturbridge and Wales to provide, that in the event a Town's enrollment drops as of October 1st, such elected representative shall continue in office for the balance of the school year, and in the event of an increase in enrollment, establishing entitlement, said elected member shall be entitled to return to full membership on the committee as though he were again elected, until such time as his three year term expires.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to have regular posted hours for dumping rubbish at the Town Dump from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday; the gates to be locked at all other times, or take any other action thereon.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide for snow removal upon the private roads known as: Cubles Drive, Knollwood Road, Oakwood Road, Forest Road, Echo Road, Crestwood Road and Linnbrook Road, Lake Sherman, Brimfield, Mass.

Article 31. To see if the Town will appropriate for the use of the Library, the \$500.00 State Aid for the year 1968, to be paid to the Town by the State for that purpose.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to be used for the Water Safety and Recreation Program, to be administered by the Recreation Program Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay 1967 bills outstanding after January 10, 1968.

Article 34. To raise and appropriate money for the support of the various departments and activities of the Town, payment of debts and defraying of expenses of the ensuing year, and direct how the same shall be expended.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action there-to.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 5th day of February, 1968.

RICHARD C. ALLEN

FRANK B. HALEY

NORRIS U. DEMETRIUS

Selectmen of Brimfield

A true copy, ATTEST

JULIANE L. SPOONER

Town Clerk

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